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"Licensing of anti-semitism"

Ross decision draws fire

By
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FREDERICTON —
Jewish community leaders reacted with disappointment to New Brunswick Attorney General David Clark's announcement last week that the province would not prosecute Malcolm Ross for promoting hatred against Jews.

In announcing the decision, Clark said there was insufficient evidence to convict Ross, a junior high school teacher and writer. He also stated one of Ross' books, *The Web of Deceit* "is not being distributed by the author and accordingly, the earlier decision (August 1986) not to prosecute on the basis of that publication remains unchanged."

Dr. Julius Israeli, a retired chemistry professor who laid the charges against Ross, called the decision "a dark blot on the government and people of New Brunswick."

He said the decision will give "a free hand" to hatemongers in the province and could lead to physical attacks on Jews.

"This is a licensing of anti-semitism in New Brunswick," he told The CJN.

Dr. Julius Israeli

"It is a signal that no matter how anti-semitic an author may be, he won't be challenged by Clark."

Israeli dismissed claims by the provincial attorney general that the book was not being distributed by the author, noting Ross, in a letter to the editor of the Miramichi Leader newspaper, gave instructions to readers how to obtain copies of the book.

"I predict Ross and his supporters will increase the distribution of hate propaganda because they are encouraged by Clark," Israeli said. He also forecast "violence against Jews" including perhaps the burning of synagogues, as a result of the decision.

Ross is author of three books which claim the Holocaust never happened and that Jews are involved in an international plot to undermine Christianity. He also wrote a letter to the editor of the Miramichi Leader newspaper, repeating his views.

Bernie Vigod, Atlantic chairman for the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada, said the League does not accept the reasons given by Clark for not prosecuting Ross. "League lawyers gave contrary legal opinions," he said, maintaining a conviction could result based on anti-Jewish statements in Ross' letter and books.

He claimed Ross' material was similar in content to the views taught by convicted hatemonger Jim Keegstra in Alberta. Keegstra cited some of Ross' books as helping form the basis for his beliefs, Vigod said.

Lee Cohen, president of the Atlantic Jewish Council, said he was "very much bothered by the decision" not to prosecute Ross. He said the attorney general erred in stating there was insufficient evidence to warrant a trial, adding Clark should have left the question of conviction in the hands of a judge.

In the past, Clark's reasons for not prosecuting Ross have been shown to be false, he said. "Flimsy" reasons have been used again, he added.

(Clark refused to okay a prosecution in August saying Ross' books were unavailable. Shortly afterwards, reporters found copies in public libraries, and later Israeli located them on sale at convenience stores.)

"It's time to stop dancing on hot coals and call a spade a spade." Ross uses the Holocaust to promote his brand of anti-semitism, the AJC's Cohen said.

Cohen echoed Israeli's concerns saying "government indifference is tantamount to government endorsement."

He differed with Israeli on the prospects for violence in the province, though he noted violence is never the first step in anti-semitic incidents, it's the last step.

Cohen said "Clark's decision opens the door for those people who have always supported Ross but who've been afraid to publicly declare their views for fear of criminal prosecution."

Now it would appear to them they could express their anti-semitic views and not suffer repercussions of any kind.

Earlier, an investigation by school board members found no evidence that Ross taught his views in the classroom and Minister of Education Jean-Pierre Ouellet refused to dismiss Ross from his position as an English and remedial mathematics teacher.

Coincidental with the statement that Ross would not be prosecuted was an announcement that Premier Richard Hatfield would develop a strategy to deal with the problem of religious and racial intolerance in New Bruns wick.

Vigod said public education was "absolutely necessary. There is a problem in society. If we don't take countermeasures, this hate literature will influence people."

Cohen agreed, saying it was AJC's longstanding position to promote the teaching of values such as tolerance and an understanding of the Holocaust. It would be "a major victory" if the Holocaust would be taught in the schools as well as human rights education, he said.

Israeli was skeptical of Hatfield's announcement, calling it "propaganda" and noting the premier has had several years prior to last week's announcement in which to take the initiative and introduce that sort of program.

He said Hatfield made a political decision that he

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Jewish woman mayor of Dallas

DALLAS (JTA) —
Annette Strauss, a member of the Dallas City Council for 15 years, has been elected mayor, the first Jewish woman to be elected mayor of a Texas city.

The 63-year-old Strauss, who will be sworn in May 4 as the first woman mayor of Dallas, is also the second Jewish woman to become mayor of a major city. The first was Dianne Feinstein of San Francisco.

Strauss won a runoff election with 56% of the vote, defeating Fred Meyer, a businessman and former champion of the Dallas County Republican Party.

Although the election was non-partisan, Strauss, a Democrat, was considered the liberal candidate in a city that has usually elected Republican businessmen as mayor, according to Jimmy Wisch, editor and publisher of the Texas Jewish Post.

Wisch said she got support throughout the city, but was especially popular among Jewish, Black and Hispanic voters.

Strauss, a public relations consultant and former fashion model, is married to Theodore Strauss, a brother of Robert Strauss, former national Democratic Party chairman and, briefly, Middle East negotiator for the Carter administration.

She and her husband are members of Temple Emanu-El, a Dallas Reform temple. She is a former chairwoman of the Women's division of the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas, and a member of the boards of the temple sisterhood and the Greater Dallas chapter of the National Council of Jewish Women.

She is also a member of the American Jewish Committee and has received its Humanitarian Award.

Shamir, Peres split on new PLO stance

By
JTA & JPFS

JERUSALEM —
Foreign Minister Shimon Peres insists that his hopes for Middle East peace talks within the framework of an international conference have not been dampened by the obdurate stand taken at the 18th Palestine National Council (PNC) meeting in Algiers last week.

Premier Yitzhak Shamir, however, reacted strongly to the meeting.

"The worst of our enemies are sitting somewhere discussing how to unite, how to harm us and how to take Jerusalem from us," he told a Jerusalem audience. "We shall tell them that the people of Israel are united. We're one front. Their conspiracy will fail."

Senior sources in the Prime Minister's Office said that the past week's radicalization of the PLO, as expressed in the abrogation of its 1985 Amman agreement on political coordination with Jordan; left Peres hard-pressed to produce a viable, convincing Palestinian contingent for the international conference.

They said that the Soviets, the Arab states and the Europeans all insist on a conference that is not a mere figleaf for direct Israeli-Arab talks, and that the PLO renunciation of its Jordanian agreement represents an insistence on participating as a fullfledged partner in any conference — which is unacceptable to the broad spectrum of Israeli public opinion, including most of Peres's own Labor Party.

Peres, meanwhile, was quoted as telling his cabinet colleagues that "what happened in Algiers does not hurt peace prospects. We took into account (the need) to make progress toward peace without (PLO chieftain) Arafat and without his Fatah because they are not interested in peace."

He told Labor Party members here that "we will continue to strive for peace with Jordan, with the inhabitants of the administered areas and with other regional states. The chance of progress is very great."

According to Peres' aides, consultation with the Soviet Union, the United States and the Jordanians resulted in a broad consensus on procedures for an international conference. Moscow now agrees on the need for direct one-on-one negotiations in regional subcommittees and agrees that the conference plenary will not be allowed to impose its will on the bilateral negotiations, the aides say.

Sources close to the foreign minister stressed that, for all practical purposes, the peace process initially would be limited to a dialogue between Israel and a Jordanian-Palestinian delegation. The Israel-Egyptian peace treaty is holding satisfactorily, and Syria is unlikely to attend peace talks, at least in their initial state, the sources said.

Sources in the foreign ministry argued that the PLO-Jordanian rift, as sealed by the rejection of the 1985 accord, might now enable Jordan and Egypt to move forward without having to take account of the PLO or its position. "This has freed the Arab moderates from the yoke of the PLO. Now, Jordan must display courage," said the sources.

The political director-general of the foreign ministry, Yossi Beilin, a close confidant of Peres, said that "only those who had pinned their hopes on the PLO had reason to be disappointed." Along with the vast majority of Israelis, he had never entertained such hopes, and was not disappointed, he said.

Beilin said that the Palestine National Council move

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Nafsu appeal brings dispute

TEL AVIV (JTA) —
The pending appeal to the Supreme Court by an Israel Defence Force officer serving an 18-year prison sentence for treason (CJN April 23) has embroiled the government, the IDF and the internal security service, Shin Bet, in a dispute over what their positions should be in the case.

The High Court set May 24 as the date it will begin hearings on the appeal of former Lt. Azzat Nafsu, from the Circassian village of Kfar Kamma, who was convicted by a military tribunal in 1980 and stripped of his rank. Nafsu contends he was railroaded on false evidence and forced to confess under coercion by his Shin Bet interrogators.

A meeting last week attended by senior justice ministry officials, Shin Bet leaders and senior military authorities reportedly broke down as a result of sharp differences between Shin Bet, which prepared the case against Nafsu, the IDF, which tried him, and civilian legal officials.

IDF officers reportedly expressed reservations for the first time over the strength of the state's case in the appeal. Shin Bet officials are said to be anxious to avoid the hearing for fear it will expose their methods of evidence gathering and obtaining confessions. Shin Bet reportedly proposed a presidential pardon and release of Nafsu in order to close the case before it reaches the Supreme Court.

Now Shin Bet is reported to be pressing for a judicial commission of inquiry into its investigatory techniques. Such a probe would forestall full exposure of its method at Supreme Court hearings.

PRESENTING CREDENTIALS

Israel's new ambassador to Canada, Israel Gur-Arieh, is seen with Gov.-Gen. Jeanne Sauve after presenting his credentials in recent official ceremony in Ottawa.

World-National

Tradition opposes the noose

By
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Once again the debate over capital punishment is upon us. It seems to come in cycles, like the plague of locusts, and rarely leaves us the richer for its visitation.

By this time you will probably be tired of all the old arguments: Does capital punishment decrease murder or doesn't it? Will juries be more or less likely to condemn a person to death if the opportunity is offered? Should the killing of police officers and prison guards automatically draw a death sentence? Is authorized killing by the state and by law fundamentally different from unauthorized killing, or is the taking of human life to be abhorred in both cases? And revenge — is it the real reason for bringing the noose back (as a supporter of capital punishment recently admitted)?

Rabbi Plaut

And so on. The debate has been long, and everything has been said. Besides, most people probably made up their minds on the matter long ago. So, why write and talk about it? Why not let Parliament vote and get it over with?

Favored position

That is one question which is easily answered. Citizens must never leave fundamental issues to the politicians alone, but must make their voices heard. In the end, to be sure, our elected representatives as well as the Senate will vote (I hope) not according to the polls, but their conscience, and out of their own comprehension of the issues involved. Meanwhile, however, it is incumbent upon us to let them know what we think, and thereby give them a maximum of arguments pro and con which they should consider.

We Jews are in an especially favored position to make a contribution here, for we have rich history which repeatedly considered the question in depth.

Proponents of the noose are fond of quoting the Bible — which indeed orders capital punishment in many cases. But rabbinic tradition, increasingly unwilling to justify an execution, interpreted the Torah in an ever more restrictive fashion.

In a good many other cases the execution of the penalty was left to the Heavenly Court to decide, and the human agency did not feel empowered to interfere.

Strict rules

But there were serious crimes, like murder, where indeed the human judge had to pass a sentence. In such cases, however, the rules of evidence were made so strict that it was well nigh impossible to convict anyone, so that tradition recorded the following: "A Sanhedrin that puts a person to death once in seven years is called a murderous Sanhedrin. Rabbi Eliezer ben Azariah said, this is true even of a Sanhedrin that puts a man to death once in seventy years."

The convicted offender was punished, but not by execution.

In its 39 years of existence the State of Israel has essentially taken the same stance — with the only exception being the crimes of genocide. But these crimes were of such a magnitude that they fitted no human (or, for that matter, divine) category. Adolf Eichmann was hanged, the only person so punished by the state, which would have every reason to react to the violence directed against it with equal violence against the killers. By introducing the death penalty Israel would also diminish attempts to exact the extradition of murderers through the taking of hostages — but so far Israel has resisted. Which makes its stance on capital punishment the more admirable in my eyes.

At its last convention Canadian Jewish Congress voted to oppose the reintroduction of the death penalty. In doing so it has followed a long established Jewish tradition.

Secret deal nixes electoral reform

By
EDWIN BLACK

JERUSALEM —

Israel's much-touted election reform legislation, due for first reading when the Knesset reopens in mid-May, will not be pursued, according to the bill's sponsors.

Abiding by a so-called "secret agreement" with Israel's religious parties, the Likud leadership is demanding its members withdraw support from the measure. Ironically, says key Likud co-sponsor MK Meir Shitrit, the bill's failure will be a blessing in disguise. After proving that the Knesset is incapable of reforming itself, Shitrit plans to launch a massive voters' boycott to force the nation's leaders to revamp the political system.

Replacing Israel's "party-only" voting system with representative government has been a constant priority for Israeli leaders since Ben-Gurion. Great expectations were kindled, however, when the unity coalition, prior to consummating its historic agreement, promised the nation three major improvements: (1) withdrawal from Lebanon, (2) revitalization of the economy, and (3) an overhaul of the electoral process.

Because the first two promises were kept, a broad coalition of 45 Knesset members recently reactivated an old reform bill, hoping to make good on the third. A companion measure would raise the threshold for a Knesset seat from 1% to 2½% of the total vote. Currently, a mere 25,000 votes — about 1% — can secure a seat in Knesset. Of 15 current parties, 10 of them control three or fewer seats.

"If successful," explains Knesset Speaker Shlomo Hillel, "there will finally be some direct connection between the voter and those who are elected. Right now there is not." One director of an American-Jewish organization in Israel adds, "The higher vote ceiling would also end the stranglehold the ultra-Orthodox have on the nation's jugular. There would simply be fewer 1- and 2-man religious parties, and hence less blackmail."

Recently, the two measures passed the Law Committee by a wide margin, and then survived a preliminary reading, garnering 51 votes. To be adopted as law, however, a pure majority of 61 votes is required on each of three formal Knesset readings. The first reading was cautiously scheduled for mid-May. But proponents lost all hope when Likud supporters suddenly found themselves being pressured by party whips either to abstain from or reject the bill.

"It was politics as usual," lamented one Likud MK, "just what we were hoping to change. Obviously, progress is impossible."

Labor MK Simcha Dinitz, former ambassador to Washington and a leading co-sponsor of the reform, explains: "Originally some 14 Likud MKs joined me. But then we discovered that Likud had signed a secret agreement with some of the religious parties promising they would not vote for electoral change. This doesn't smell well because the agreement was a secret. Likud misled the people, and its own members who originally supported the bill. So now they are intimidating their own rank and file to avoid violating the agreement."

Dinitz continues: "For example, Meir Shitrit, who co-sponsored the bill, was brought before a Likud disciplinary court and punished — he cannot speak from the Knesset plenum for several months on party issues."

Likud chairman Chaim Kaufman confirms a Likud agreement exists, originally drafted by Ariel Sharon and Transportation Minister Chaim Corfu. Likud sources say that in exchange, the religious support Likud's position on the territories.

Shitrit confirms: "After I voted for the law, the Likud punished me by declaring I could not speak from the Knesset floor for one month, or bring any new legislation to the Kneset for one month, without their prior approval. I laughed. It only proves what I set out to prove — that we need change."

To many critics, the sabotage of election reform itself best illustrates what's wrong with the present system. "It's all just a holdover from the old Zionist Congresses," explains B'nai B'rith's Jerusalem director Paul Shaviv. "In pre-state days, there was no geographical constituency, Jewish communities were scattered all over the world. Even after Israel was established, new settlements and towns and continued immigration made sudden and drastic changes in the electorate, so the constituent system was not practical. But today, this system is obsolete."

Lack of accountability becomes an inbred political trait. "There is no sense of responding to the public," complains Natalie Gordon, president of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel (AACI). "Most political minds are not on their constituency. They're just party hacks."

But Meir Shitrit insists that Israel is now at a political crossroads, and electoral reform is its only salvation. "Without it, our very existence is in danger," he says. "We must make so many changes in the way we live, and in the policies we follow. Those changes are simply not possible under today's system. Yet electoral reform will replace the very Knesset members who vote for it, and that won't happen."

Therefore, Shitrit plans to go outside the Knesset in the most extraordinary electoral gamble in Israel's history. "Soon I will organize a petition drive, seeking one half million voters who will demand election reform and threaten to boycott the next election if they don't get it," explained Shitrit. A half million voters represent 25% of the electorate. "None of the big parties will dare enter elections under these conditions because then the small religious parties (whose supporters are entrenched) would dominate the Knesset."

To launch his movement, Shitrit needs a half million dollars to establish "a branch office in every town." He has already collected $100,000 from business leaders in the hotel trade and industrial sector. Checks, including one for $50,000 and one for $30,000, have been given to a lawyer working for the movement. Shitrit has also secured support from a leading attorney in Washington and a prominent Manhattan businessman, both of whom promised to raise money and political support among their circles. Only half his $500,000 goal is required to commence the petition-boycott drive, the remainder will be donated by the public, he predicts.

American Jewish organizations can play a decisive role in the movement, declares Shitrit. "If they care about Israel, they will help us," he says. "If American Jewry wants to see Israel change its priorities, they will contribute money and resources as soon as we go public — which I expect will be in a few months. If nobody has the guts to get involved, Israel will never change for the better."

Year without news allows study of the old classics

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

One morning, unable to sleep as I wrestled with the cosmic issues of our time, I rose at dawn and went downstairs to wait for the newspapers. I read five of them daily, and that morning I waited for the day to begin, as usual, with the slap of a newspaper hitting the porch. I opened the door and peered out. The car was coming. It slowed, and an arm reached out for the toss. *War and Peace* hit the porch.

"Hey!" I yelled to the delivery man. "What's this?" He cut his engine, got out of the car and came up to the porch. "You Cohen?" he asked, consulting a sheet. I said I was. "It says you get *War and Peace*. Then come the complete works of Faulkner. I have you down for *The Federalist Papers*, the works of DeTocqueville, *The Castle* by Franz Kafka and all of *Trollope*."

"But where's the paper?" I asked.

"There is no paper," he said. "There won't be any newspaper for a year. There won't be any news for a year. The world is taking a breather, trying to assimilate recent developments — AIDS, computers, new wave music, compact discs, Star Wars, glasnost and the madness of the Iran-Iraq war. We need to pause, think, consider and then reconsider."

The delivery man was old and balding and spoke with a German accent. He wore slacks, a baggy sweater and shoes with no socks. His face was wise and softly gentle, and a shy smile peeked from under a bushy moustache. Somehow, you could tell he played the violin.

I picked up my Tolstoy and went back into the house. The truth was I had not read the books the old man had mentioned — always wanted to, but never got to them. Newspapers and magazines always intervened. They were an insistent, clamoring part of my life, an intrusion that pushed everything else aside. Because of them, I knew everything and nothing — what happened but sometimes not why.

I went to the office where, usually, more newspapers awaited me, but there were none. I looked for messages. There was one saying that my lunch with the staff director for the Senate Committee on the 55-mile-per-hour speed limit was canceled. There was another from the director of an art museum. Would I like to attend a noon concert — the Bach B-Minor Mass? Yes, I would.

And this is how it started. I went to museums, and the world of art — a world that means so much to some people — opened up to me. I studied music and turned my attention to religion. I read the major works of Judaism and took long walks during which I had imaginary conversations with my grandfather, the Talmudic scholar turned plumbing-supply clerk.

I studied Christianity and then turned my attention to Islam. In a while, I could read the Koran in Arabic and understood why that language is so special, why it pervades the soul and is unsurpassed in its poetry.

Every week, books hit my porch. I re-read Shakespeare, and the language stunned me. I knocked off Proust, Dostoevsky and all the Russian masters — just like that. I marveled again at Henry Roth's *Call It Sleep*, consumed all of Shaw and Dickens, read *Ulysses* from the front (yes, yes) and then turned to the poets. My porch welcomed Yeats.

The masters informed me. Much of what the newspapers told me was new, turned out not to be. New issues about justice and morality turned out to be old. Gibbon told me about empire, DeTocqueville about America, Madison about government, Sandburg about Presidents, Nadezhda Mandelstam about tyranny, George Orwell about journalism, Picasso about lust, Beethoven about daring, Freud about imagination and the Greek tragedies about human frailty.

One morning, expecting some Pushkin, I rose at dawn and went down to the porch. The car pulled up, and an arm tossed something my way. It was the newspaper.

"Hey, what's this?" I yelled. The old man cut the engine and came up to the porch. "The year is over," he said. "The world has resumed. This is the first of five newspapers today, two on Sunday, plus the usual magazines, including (here he made a face) People." Excited, I looked at the headlines: war in the Middle East, a church-state issue before the Supreme Court, an interview with a surrogate mother named Hagar. "This isn't new," I exclaimed with my newfound wisdom.

The old man shrugged. "There's new news and old news," he said. "Without the present, there is no past. The works of today are the masterpieces of tomorrow." He smiled, descended the stairs and then turned back. "It's all relative," he said with a laugh. Then he got into his car and drove off while, from somewhere, a Bach violin piece, long lost, sweetly pierced the air and then vanished.

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Collector of Judaica Fred Weinberg displays forged 18th Century Passover plate.

Buy from reliable dealers

Antiques aren't always real thing

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

What would you do if you purchased an authentic 18th century Passover plate, only to discover that it was made yesterday by a skilful craftsman?

According to Fred Weinberg, a well-known collector of Judaica and the author of numerous articles on Jewish customs and artifacts, "Take it back to the dealer."

In an interview with The CJN, Weinberg, who is the associate medical director of the Hospital For Sick Children's Child Development Clinic said that on a recent trip to Israel, he bought an 18th century Passover plate at a shop in Jerusalem.

Offered to return money

On his return to Toronto, his wife Joy, who has a special interest in English porcelain, noticed that the wear marks on the bottom of the plate were painted on top of the glaze. When he returned to Israel on a subsequent trip he brought a photograph of the plate back to the dealer.

"The dealer admitted that he too had been fooled and offered to return my money." After making some inquiries, Weinberg discovered that there are many antiques sold today that are not authentic.

"We have a social responsibility to make people aware that there are ways to avoid purchasing fakes."

As a serious collector, he says it is important to become knowledgeable about antiques. "By visiting museums and by seeking information and advice from the experts, difficult though that may be, you can learn to detect forgeries. And always deal with honest, reliable dealers."

Weinberg says Israel has some of the finest artists and craftsmen who create original pieces made in sterling silver and other precious materials. "These new ceremonial pieces are expensive and deserve the support of collectors."

As an example, each year, Fred buys a new chanukiah because he wants to support artists who are interested in creating ceremonial art pieces with a new creative approach.

"But when I buy something that is an antique, I expect it to be an antique." Many of the pieces in his collection were obtained at Judaica auctions.

"The chances are that you will find authentic pieces at an auction because they have a staff that researches the items before the sale. And they are accountable. But even at an auction, one must attend the preview and rely on one's own judgement."

He says that before you attend an auction, you should learn to read a catalogue. "Learn the key words and phrases that give you accurate information about each piece — terms such as, 'in the style of' or 'similar to,' and watch for signatures that don't carry the full name of the artist."

There are books around that can guide you with your purchases. Recently, Jay Weinstein, Sotheby's Judaica expert, published a book entitled, A Collector's Guide to Judaica. The book points out the pitfalls to watch for when purchasing Judaica.

Weinstein, who was in Toronto recently, told Weinberg that the most frequently copied Jewish ceremonial objects that are purported to be original antiques include ketubahs, spiceboxes, porcelain Passover plates, kiddush cups and etrog boxes.

Weinstein says that the forgery of Judaica has become a multi-million dollar international racket. Many of these bogus pieces are manufactured in France, Germany, Austria, Portugal, the United States and Israel.

He says that when you are contemplating the purchase of an important antique piece, a reputable dealer will allow you to take the item for a short period of time, to have it authenticated. Museum curators of Judaica will meet with you and they will examine the piece and give you knowledgeable information related to the authenticity.

Found many forgeries

Several months ago, Weinberg met with Iris Fishof, the curator of Judaica at the Israel Museum. "She told me that she has the unpleasant task of telling people that their precious Judaica artifacts are forgeries. She also stresses the need to become familiar with genuine museum pieces in order to improve one's judgment."

In 1984, Weinberg, who is a past president of the Beth Tzedec Congregation and one of the founders of the synagogue's museum, was the guest curator of an exhibition of ceremonial objects representing the Jewish family life cycle at the Koffler Gallery. The pieces were from the synagogue's museum and from private collections.

"I recall, not too long ago, a complete collection of silver Judaica pieces were donated to the Beth Tzedec Museum. We found that about a dozen of them were forgeries. They were obscure pieces of English silver that had been Judaized by Hebrew inscriptions and blessings."

"Caveat emptor," says Weinberg — "particularly when you're buying antique Judaica."

CJC explains problems

Matzoh for Cubans delayed

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The Jews of Cuba apparently went without matzoh at their seders this year because the annual shipment of Passover supplies from Canada was delayed due to circumstances beyond the control of Canadian Jewish Congress, a CJC official said.

Ian Kagedan, CJC's religious affairs director and assistant national executive director, said the ship carrying the 16,500 pounds of kosher for Passover matzoh, cooking oil and grape juice was to have left the port of Montreal in mid-March.

It was delayed three weeks to April 4 because of ice conditions in the seaway, bad weather en route and the fact that the ship would not leave until its cargo hold was full, he said.

According to information Kagedan has received, the ship arrived at Havana on April 12, the Sunday before the first day of Passover, but was not unloaded until the following day.

He does not know when the food actually reached the homes of the approximately 900 Jews in Cuba, most of whom live in the Havana area, but agreed it was not likely to have been distributed in time for the seders.

He does know, however, that it must have arrived during Passover because he received a telegram the day after Passover from the president of the Cuban Jewish community, Jose Blumenkranz, thanking CJC for the gift.

Chaim Weinberg of Toronto provides a contradictory story. He said he spoke by telephone on April 16 with Raquel Markizer, who he describes as a leader of the Cuban Jewish community, and she told him the boat with the Passover shipment had not yet even docked in the Havana harbor.

"Remnants of the Jewish community from all across Cuba came to get their Passover needs to be told that the Pesach provision did not arrive," Weinberg wrote in a letter to The Canadian Jewish News.

"It looks like the seders conducted across Cuba this year were without matzoh, wine, etc., all this courtesy of the functionaries of the CJC who it looks like were totally negligent in the matter, thus depriving our oppressed brethren of the Passover celebration."

Weinberg and his wife Helena visited Cuba in February as tourists and met with Mrs. Markizer and her husband Moise at the Havana Jewish Community Centre. Weinberg writes that the Markizers were concerned then about the Passover shipment not arriving on time for the holiday because they had not received any communication from CJC headquarters in Montreal that it had left.

At the Markizers' request, Weinberg phoned CJC upon his return to Toronto at the end of February to relay their concern.

Kagedan told The CJN that it is not unusual for the shipment not to arrive in time for the beginning of Passover; only one year in three does it actually get to Cuba for the seders. One year the shipment did not get to Cuba until June because the boat broke down during the voyage.

With Passover beginning some 10 days earlier in 1988 than this year, it is unlikely next year's shipment will arrive in time, he noted.

Sending the shipment by air is probably the only way CJC could ensure the shipment's getting there earlier, Kagedan said, but the cost would be much higher. The cost of shipping this year's supply was $4,200 including wharfage and insurance. Airlifting the same volume would cost approximately $25,000 excluding insurance, he said.

The cost of the food alone this year was $15,000, raised in a campaign conducted by CJC specifically for the Cuban Passover project, Kagedan said. Most of the money comes from Ontario, although there are contributions from other parts of Canada.

CJC has been sending Passover shipments to Cuba "for at least 10 years, probably more," said Kagedan. Until a few years ago, the funds came out of the Moess Chittin campaign, conducted jointly by CJC and the Mizrachi Organization.

Cuban Jews are unable to import kosher products from the United States because of that country's trade embargo against Cuba.

Every year, CJC faces the same problems in shipping the load, Kagedan said. First of all, most kosher for Passover products are produced in the U.S. and are only imported to Canada during the 60 days before the holiday when the usual customs duties are waived. (The oil sent to Cuba, though, is Canadian made, he said.)

Even if the food was imported earlier by paying the normal levies or some other arrangement, it could not be shipped much sooner because the seaway is not open.

As it stands now, when the shipment is ready to leave Montreal, about seven weeks before Passover, the seaway is often still frozen or other climactic conditions delay the departure. In addition, few ships are sailing to Cuba at any time and they do not leave until their cargo hold is full.

The amount of oil and grape juice (it used to be wine, but the cost became too high) sent is enough for the entire year, he added. The oil is especially important to the Jews of Cuba, who might otherwise have to rely on the commonly used lard, he noted.

Kagedan suggests the time may have come for the Canadian Jewish community to reassess the program, whether to raise the extra money to send the shipment by air or perhaps fly in the matzoh only.

Weinberg believes airlifting may be a good investment. "As I was told in Cuba, the Passover seder is the only way many Jews in that country identify with Judaism."

The Name Game

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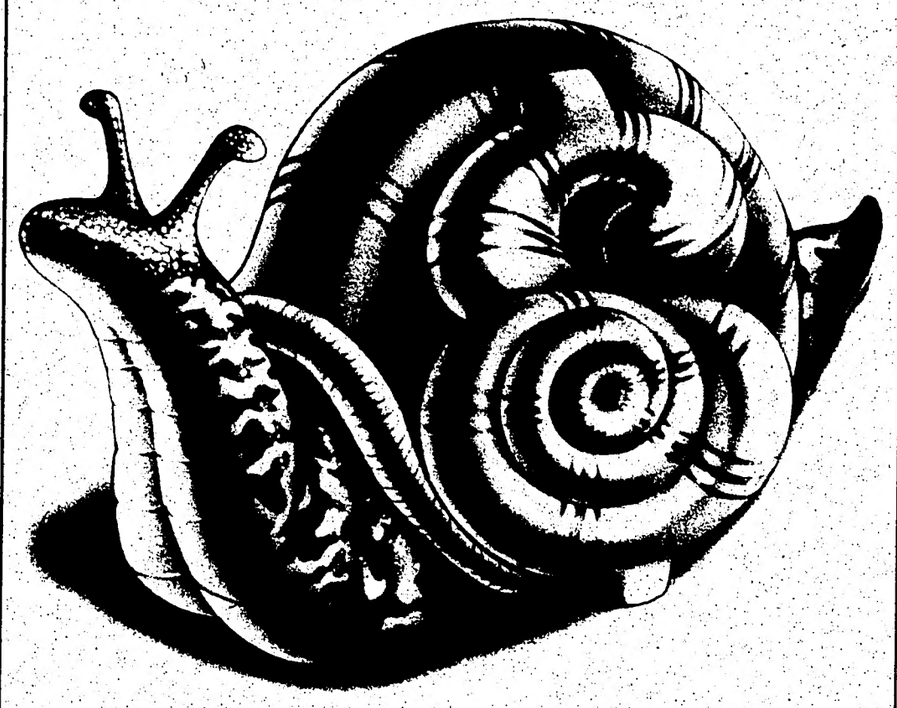

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: What was the role of the chazzan as seen from the earliest Jewish sources?

Today, the chazzan is a cantor who chants the services on Holy Days and festivals, beautifully sings the blessings under the nuptial canopy, and on sad occasions intones the lament over those who have departed from the world of the living. But, that role is a late arrival on the Jewish scene.

Rabbi Burak

Rashi, in Tractate Shabbas, 11A, tells us that the chazzan was in charge of the Torah reading. Then he adds another interpretation, namely that he was the teacher of the children. In other places in the Talmud, he tells us that the chazzan was the shamash. Maybe it wasn't easy to make a living from one job.

A statement in the Jerusalem Talmud, Sotah, Chapter 7:6, shows that he was the man whose duty it was to see that all the Torahs in the synagogue were placed properly in the ark. Should one fall out, the blame and a curse belonged to him.

The most interesting of all the occupations of the chazzan is found in Tractate Baba Metzi'a, 93B. There, in a discussion of the responsibilities and the duties of shomrim, we meet the phrase chazzanei matha, and it does not mean the cantors of the city.

There the discussion concerns the extent of the duty that a paid bailee, a shomer, owes to the man who hired him. The answer is that he may sleep when other people sleep. But that's not true for chazzanai matha. They, according to Rashi, are "the guards of the city at night, on whom the citizens rely for their safety, to guard their bodies and their moneys. These surely demand extraordinary guard duties."

As the result of the multitude of descriptions of the duties of the chazzan, one can understand the reasoning behind the strong statement in Tosfos, Berachos, 34A, d.h. 10, saying "and a chazzan is not the sheliach tzibbur," but rather the man who attends to various communal duties.

This is not to say that everyone agreed with such a statement. The 'Aruch says: chazzan "means sheliach tzibbur." But Dr. Alexander Kohut, in his Aruch Completum, gives us five strong columns to prove his master wrong. Kohut attempts to find the root of the word chazzan in the Persian language.

His conclusion is that the word took on its present meaning in the Gaonic period. On occasion, there is still some confusion about the duties of the office. When I was told of a chazzan who sang out a "borchu" at a church service, it distressed me. Could that be true? It might be. I heard one sing a little piece from Ave Maria in a synagogue hall.

In recent days, cantors have taken on and locked horns with the chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary. The chancellor has ruled that there are to be lady cantors in the synagogue, and that this is the result of steps taken a hundred years ago. That one step taken then brought ladies into the minyan, and to the Torah, and now to the cantorate.

But, as we go back into the Jewish past well over a thousand years, in all the various job descriptions that have gone with the word chazzan, one does not find a lady connected with that title.

Error leads to error. The synagogue choir was always a male choir. When a mixed choir began to be heard in the synagogue, it paved the way for further innovations.

Soviet visit to Israel on

PARIS (JTA) —

A visit to Israel by a Soviet delegation of consular level will take place as planned, though the date has not been announced.

The delegation "has not yet bought its plane tickets but the visit has not been cancelled," Gennady Gerasimov, chief of the Soviet foreign ministry's information directorate, told a press conference last week.

This contradicted a report from Kuwait which quoted the visiting Soviet deputy foreign minister, Vladimir Patrovsky, as saying, "We have decided to cancel the visit" because Israel made propaganda use of it.

Gerasimov described the group as a "modest delegation" whose mission would be to help Soviet citizens in Israel with consular problems and discuss matters related to Soviet property in Israel, including the holdings of the Russian Orthodox Church in Jerusalem.

Israel said it welcomes the visit but maintains that a similar Israeli delegation should go to Moscow. Gerasimov said earlier there would be no exchange visits between the two countries.

Condition of couple called "terrible"

Refuseniks call off hunger strike

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Soviet Refuseniks Lev and Inna Elbert called off their hunger striking bid for emigration April 19 after 46 days.

Dr. Alexander Mizrukhin, Inna's brother, who is living in Pittsburgh for three months, spoke to their doctor in Moscow who told him the condition of the couple, whose 16-year-old son Carmi called off his hunger strike April 16 after nine days, is "terrible."

Mizrukin told Genya Intrator, chairman of the Inter-Religious Task Force of Human Rights, that the doctor said there may be permanent damage to their health. In Inna's case, her spleen and left kidney are the problem areas. She lost 20 pounds and now weighs 103 pounds.

Mizrukhin, in an interview with The CJN here last week, said that she had developed water buildup in her legs which indicated to him a kidney problem.

As for Lev, who had a retina dysfunction and myocardial ischemia (a lack of blood or oxygen supply to the heart muscle) prior to the start of the hunger strike, the doctor said he had symptoms of angina. Lev refused to say how much he weighed but he had lost 44 pounds in the first 39 days. At the time, he weighed 143.

The Soviet doctor said both had numerous fainting spells for two days before calling a halt to the strike.

The day the spells started, Natasha Chassina, at whose Moscow home the Kiev couple is staying, told Intrator that the couple was too weak to go to the ministry of interior themselves so she went on their behalf to see if a decision had been made.

Chassina told Intrator that a rude official told her that the minister himself had reviewed the case and that a decision had been made but he refused to say what it was.

Intrator said American Soviet Jewry activists had been in touch with a congressional delegation visiting Moscow to press the minister to reveal the decision "because of the gravity of the situation."

In the light of this, the Soviet doctor and Chassina convinced the couple to call a halt to the strike but Mizrukhin reports that it will take weeks to gradually bring their diet back to normal.

In other Soviet Jewry news, Leonid Yuzefovitch is continuing with his hunger strike — also a bid for emigration papers — which began March 18. A Chicago native, who last week returned from Moscow, said he sounded and acted fine, that the trauma of a fast did not seem to be affecting him.

"He was going about business as usual."

Boris Klotz, a member of Holy Blossom Temple's adopted Refusenik family, reports that the cases of four Jewish prisoners are being reconsidered.

Prisoner of Conscience Alexi Magarik's case has been reconsidered and his sentence reduced by 1½ years. He will be released in August.

There is no answer yet for the family of Prisoner of Conscience Yuli Edelshtein, whose health has reportedly been fragile since he incurred a labor camp injury. He slipped on ice and fell 13 feet fracturing his left thigh and pelvis and tearing his urethra, for which he has undergone two operations.

Klotz said the families of Jewish dissidents Iosif Ziseles, 35, and Leonid Schrayer, 33, both of Chernovtsy in the Ukraine, have been told to contact the Ukrainian Supreme Soviet for reconsideration of their charges for anti-Soviet slander.

Protesters kept vigil during Keegstra appeal

By
PAUL LUNGEN

CALGARY —

During his marathon trial from April to July, 1985, Jim Keegstra did not shy away from the media.

Each day he would enter and exit the Red Deer courthouse in full view of the media cameramen and reporters who were covering the hate promotion trial. But at his recent appeal in Calgary Keegstra managed to duck the media by coming to court early and exiting through an underground tunnel, partly no doubt to avoid the protesters picketing at the downtown courthouse.

Never more than a dozen in number, the protesters maintained a vigil outside the court, talking to passersby, answering reporters' questions and sometimes confronting Keegstra's supporters who accompanied him throughout the hearing before the Court of Appeal. Keegstra was appealing his conviction for promoting hatred against Jews while a school teacher in Eckville, about 50 kms. northwest of Red Deer. As a social studies teacher, Keegstra taught grades 9 and 12 students that the Holocaust never took place and that Jews are involved in a conspiracy to dominate the world.

Meir Halevi, leader of the Jewish Defence League in Canada, was on hand the first morning of the hearing "to show moral support for the prosecution."

Later, Harvey Kane, a Calgary JDL member who called himself 5,749 years old (the date corresponding to the Jewish calendar) led the picketers "to protest the fact that that a supporter of mass murderers is sitting in the Court of Appeal." (Keegstra denied the Nazis carried out an extermination policy against Jews.)

Kane, a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, said the protesters wanted "to remind the world of its conscience and if it itches, maybe they'll scratch it."

Among those joining Kane and Halevi was Val Daniels, who described herself as a Gentile who was picketing to give meaning to the lessons she gave to her son to stand up to hatemongers.

Daniels said she found it difficult to understand why the Calgary Jewish community (about 5,000 strong) failed to protest against Keegstra on the opening day of the appeal. "I don't understand how they can expect me to express to my child and understand myself the horrors of the Holocaust, the outrage, if those people who it most directly affects aren't here," she said.

However, Len Dolgoy, a spokesman for the Edmonton Jewish community, said the views of the Jewish community are clear in regard to Keegstra. He said staging a protest would merely provide more publicity for the convicted hatemonger with the result that the protest itself would become a news item.

Hal Joffe, president of Citizens Against Racial and Religious Discrimination, said the Keegstra case is "not a Jewish prosecution." He said the Crown viewed Keegstra's classroom actions as "an affront not simply against the Jewish community, but it was a crime against the people of the province."

Soviet emigration could reach 5,000

MONTREAL —

Soviet Jewish emigration in less than one quarter of 1987 has already exceeded the total for 1986.

Martin Penn, director of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, reports that to April 21, 430 Jews left Russia. This brings this year's total to 1,139, which broken down by month is January 98, February 141 and March 470.

Statistics to March 21 are not available so it impossible to compare the level. However, emigration to March 26 was 378.

Penn stressed that a week by week comparison is not totally meaningful as Soviet officials do not process emigres on a pro-rated basis.

However, if April's level even meets last month's — with 10 days left in the month and only 40 to go — is projected over a year, emigration would top the 5,000 plateau that Soviet officials quoted in January.

March's emigration level was the highest monthly figure in more than five years.

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"We have not neglected the Mideast"

Reagan blasts Carter's "unwarranted" criticism

By
TRUDE FELDMAN

WASHINGTON — U.S. President Ronald Reagan has reacted sharply to former President Jimmy Carter's "unwarranted" criticism of the administration's policies in the Middle East during the latter's recent tour of the area.

In a wide-ranging interview with this reporter in which he also commented on the Pollard affair, Reagan expressed particular concern over Carter's claim that he (Reagan) favors military solutions over diplomatic ones.

"I've always felt that Americans, when they leave our shores and go abroad, leave their party affiliation behind," the President said. "I was surprised at Mr. Carter's accusations.

"More than most officials he knows the limits of what it is possible to achieve in the Mideast. Success in that area never has depended solely on the efforts of the United States. The parties themselves must be ready to move . . . toward negotiations."

Reagan disclosed that a state department official traveled to Carter's home in Georgia prior to his trip and provided him "with the latest and most complete" briefings.

"So, Mr. Carter knows what we've been trying to do there, and how we're trying to do it," Reagan said, adding: "We have not neglected the Mideast. We're constantly encouraging every possible opening to get the parties to negotiate an overall settlement."

The President said he still stands by his 1982 peace initiative, which includes a call for a Palestinian entity in association with Jordan. "I see no reason to change it," he said. "Some Arab leaders welcomed it. And that's the initiative the U.S. hopes to pursue.

"Ever since I've been in the White House, we've tried to be a catalyst in the Mideast, and to expand the circle of those ready and willing to negotiate. We've been working with King Hussein (of Jordan), who is eager to go forward in trying to bring about a general peace — if he has the right framework in which to negotiate.

"We've also tried to be of some help by sending a steady message to let Arab leaders know we want to be friends with Arabs and Israelis alike. The Arabs are aware of our close relationship with Israel, so obviously some of their leaders are a little suspicious. But we've done whatever possible to prove that we can be completely fair."

Has that "close relationship" now been affected by the Pollard spy case? he was asked.

"I don't think so," Reagan said. "Our relationship with Israel is a most powerful one."

On the issue of alleged dual loyalty among Jews in the aftermath of the Pollard affair, the President said, "I think American Jews are Americans first. I never doubted that for one moment. But obviously, any people in this multifaceted society of ours often maintains a special kinship with their ancestral roots."

Ronald Reagan

Does the President believe that the Pollard case has damaged Israel's image in the eyes of Americans?

"I think that spying distressed us all because it was a great blow," Reagan said, adding: "There were some important secrets regarding our capabilities. But I know Israel is conducting its own investigation of the matter, and I think we should await its results before further comment."

Regarding Syria and that country's possible role in obtaining the release of Americans held hostage by the Hezbollah terrorists, Reagan said: "We understand there has been some discussion between the Hezbollah and the Syrians. Whether the hostages are a part of that discussion, I don't know. The Syrians are certainly not on the same wavelength as the Hezbollah."

Will Syria's military intervention in Lebanon help bring stability to West Beirut?

"I hope so," the President replied. "However, one thing we have to remember is that Syria has always talked about the whole of Lebanon as being part of Greater Syria. Now, you have to ask, are they talking about just restoring order, or are they talking about taking over?"

Reagan asserted that the Iran-Contra affair has not deflected his attention from the constant peace-threatening problems besetting the Mideast. He was asked if he is considering a new policy in the region, in view of the Iran situation and its impact on the Arab countries.

"Well, I wouldn't say it is anything new, except that we've made sure Arab leaders understand what we were trying to accomplish in terms of working for better U.S.-Iranian relations," he said.

"Obviously, the Arabs support Iraq, not Iran. I think we still have good relations with those Arab leaders in Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Morocco and the Gulf states, who have long been our friends.

"They know we've been doing our best to promote peace between Iran and Iraq. Now, the fact is that Iraq has been ready for a ceasefire, but Iran refuses a ceasefire . . . unless the Iraqi president steps down."

Reagan maintains that the arms the U.S. sold to Iran could have no substantive effect on the war.

"I think the proper outcome of the Iran-Iraq war should be a halt to the fighting and a return by each side to its own boundaries," he said. "There should be no victor, no vanquished, just peace. This is what we've been trying to bring about.

"We have already offered naval protection for shipping by Gulf states vessels in the Persian Gulf if they are attacked by Iran."

As for any new Arab-Israeli peace initiatives at this time, Reagan said the U.S. is always working for peace in the Mideast and will continue those efforts. "We want solid relations with the Arab states as well as with Israel," he said.

"I know the Iran problem and its disclosures have troubled some Arab leaders. But we have privately conveyed our position to them and I think they understand our motives. For example, they now realize that we weren't coming in as an ally of Iran. So I believe we have eased the situation considerably."

Critics casting doubt on Demjanjuk identity

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Doubt has been cast on the identity of John Demjanjuk, charged with committing crimes during the Holocaust.

The Israeli government maintains that Demjanjuk, an ethnic Ukrainian, is in fact Ivan the Terrible, who brutalized and tortured Jews and who ran the carbon monoxide engines that gassed Jews at Treblinka, which has been described by Yitzhak Arad, Yad Vashem's director, as "the biggest cemetery of Polish Jewry."

Several Jewish witnesses have identified Demjanjuk, a 66-year-old retired auto worker from Cleveland, as the sadistic low-level functionary who terrorized the inmates of Treblinka, where about 900,000 Jews were killed in an 11-month period from July of 1942.

The chief prosecuting attorney, Yona Blattman, claims that Demjanjuk, a simple Soviet Army soldier, defected to the German side after being captured, and was trained as a death camp guard in a Polish facility known as Trawniki.

Blattman says that Demjanjuk enjoyed his "demonic" activities, and witnesses have confirmed his predilection for sadistic violence.

The key piece of evidence appears to be a 1942 Soviet-supplied, SS photo identity card — a card that the court accepted as evidence last week.

Demjanjuk and his lawyers claim that it is a malicious Soviet forgery intended to discredit anti-Communist Ukrainians like Demjanjuk who settled in North America after the war.

The accused claims that he was a Nazi prisoner of war, not an executioner, and one of his attorneys, John O'Connor, declares that Demjanjuk "has never been in any death camp in any capacity."

Demjanjuk's Israeli lawyer, Yoram Sheftel, has denounced the trial as a "show trial," reminiscent of Soviet propaganda court cases, an assessment with which most Ukrainians abroad would probably agree.

After 2½ months of public proceedings, the Demjanjuk trial has entered a crucial phase, during which Ivan's identity card will be at the centre of attention.

Earlier this month, a witness for the prosecution, Wolfgang Scheffler, a Berlin Free University historian who is considered an expert on the Holocaust, testified that the Trawniki identity card issued in Demjanjuk's name was genuine.

However, another German expert called in by the prosecution contradicted Scheffler's claim. Helge Grabitz, who is described as a leading authority on Trawniki, said she had no indication that Trawniki ever issued a card in Demjanjuk's name.

Some critics, such as Patrick Buchanan, President Ronald Reagan's former director of communications, claim that Demjanjuk served in Sobibor and in Regensburg-Flossenburg, but not in Treblinka.

"His name does not appear either on the Trawniki roster nor on the transfer lists to Treblinka that have been recovered," he writes in The New York Times."

According to Buchanan, Ivan was killed in August of 1943.

"Of the five survivor witnesses who claim to remember Demjanjuk as Ivan, one, Eliyahu Rosenberg, swore under oath in 1947 that Ivan was killed by inmates with shovels in 1943. Another witness, Pinchas Epstein, in his postwar statement never mentioned Ivan. However, at Demjanjuk's trial... Epstein has recalled new and even more lurid atrocities than he remembered at the Cleveland denaturalization hearing six years ago."

Harvey Berg, a critic from Buffalo, NY, points out that Ivan spoke fluent German at Treblinka but that Demjanjuk "had no familiarity at all with the German language until after the war and the... Holocaust."

Berg says that Ivan had dark hair, brown eyes and a swarthy complexion, while Demjanjuk had light brown hair, blue eyes and a very fair complexion.

One of the witnesses at the trial said that Ivan walked with a shuffle and a limp. "Demjanjuk is not lame, has never been crippled and has never walked with a limp in his life," adds Berg.

Berg says Demjanjuk has difficulty walking today because of medical problems brought on by his arrest.

There is yet one more discrepancy that remains unresolved.

Yaacov Siegelbaum, the Israeli doctor who examined Demjanjuk after his extradition to Israel in February of 1986, said the defendant is 5 feet 11 inches.

Demjanjuk's identification card lists Ivan as being 5 feet 9 inches in 1942.

"Is there any reason why a person (of) 66 should be growing?" defence lawyer John Gill asked.

"No," Dr. Siegelbaum replied.

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Vor- und Vatersname: Iwan/Nikolai
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Prosecutors claim this pass, issued to Ivan Demjanjuk bears the photo of sadistic Treblinka guard "Ivan the Terrible." [RNS photo]

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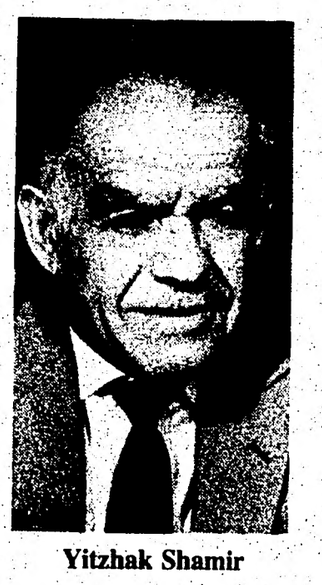
Yom Ha'atzmaut message to Diaspora

Shamir cites Israel's role in "transformation"



Yitzhak Shamir

JERUSALEM —

As Israel enters its 40th year, the Jewish people is celebrating not only the passage of another year and its achievements but the completion of a most significant period, says Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir in his Yom Ha'atzmaut message to the Diaspora.

"Not even the optimists among us could have visualized the great transformation that has taken place in our people within the space of four decades," Shamir said.

"From being the victims of history and the objects of pity, as a homeless, wandering people, we have gained admiration and respect by our performance and accomplishments on our own land," he said.

The citizens of Israel should be the centre and focal point of this year's celebration, the Prime Minister said.

They have merited "our wholehearted gratitude" for their sacrifices and their efforts in the establishment, development and security of our country through five wars and a continuous battle with the Arab terrorists, Shamir stated.

"I express profound satisfaction that our nation is among the few in the world capable of designing, creating and manufacturing an aircraft, a tank or a CAT-scanner, which are considered among the very best in the world," he said.

The technological excellence Israel has achieved in its essential military development extends also to every level of the country's scientific and economic progress, Shamir said.

"As a result, we can see progress in our advance towards economic growth and independence."

The Prime Minister stressed that the pursuit of peace is "our major concern. Indeed, the search goes on for ways to bring about direct negotiations between us and our neighbors, on the successful and proven precedent of the Camp David Accords."

Shamir said that when he took over the reins of the coalition government in October, he urged greater unity within the nation, the reduction of internal strife, an emphasis on the positive aspects of Israeli society and the encouragement of "all factors that unite us in this wonderful period in our history."

The Prime Minister pledged Israel's "total commitment" to the struggle for the repatriation of the Jews of the Soviet Union and the "rescue of our brethren" from Syria, Iran, Ethiopia and other places of distress.

"It is unacceptable and intolerable that in the 40th year of the existence of the Jewish state there should be Jews suffering because they are Jews, that Jewish communities should be held hostage, or that Jews should be regarded as homeless refugees," Shamir said.

"The most important result of the great transportation that occurred nearly 40 years ago is that the Jewish state exists as a beacon of light to welcome every Jew in need of a home, that the Jewish state is here to speak up for and to protect every Jew throughout the world."

Emphasizing the importance of aliya, the Prime Minister said Israel is not only a haven for the persecuted, but also the home of "the brave and the best of our people who are renewing our ancient culture and creating values that will be inscribed as a glorious new page" in Jewish history.

"My appeal to the house of Israel this Yom Ha'atzmaut is to make the year ahead a year of aliya, a year of pilgrimage. . . .

"Come and see what your people has accomplished in this land. Bring your children and their children, that they may realize what still remains for them to do in the years that lie ahead."

Noteworthy achievements

Israel is centre—Herzog

JERUSALEM —

For the Jewish people, Israel has become the centre and magnet, the restorer of national identity in the historic homeland, says President Chaim Herzog in his Yom Ha'atzmaut greeting to Jewish communities abroad.

In the year now ending Israelis have had to face serious problems but have been encouraged by many noteworthy achievements, Herzog stated.

The government, he said, "has forged ahead with the program of economic rehabilitation. It is moving forward in its international relations and towards the goal of peace."

At the same time there are encouraging developments in Israel's relations with the Third World, and indications from the Soviet Union which arouse hopes, the President said.

"We have the heartwarming duty of thinking through new approaches to the absorption of the actual and potential aliya for which we pray, aliya to come, we hope, from Eastern Europe, Ethiopia and Syria and also from all other great Jewish communities in the Americas, in Western Europe, in Australia and from southern Africa."

Chaim Herzog

Internal harmony in Israel depends on fostering tolerance and mutual respect among Arabs and Jews, among groups of varied origins and the secular minded, said Herzog.

He emphasized, however, that in attempting to overcome the polarization, it should not be forgotten that this grave problem is not confined to Israel.

"It exists throughout world Jewry and is, in some cases, encourged by elements in world Jewry. It must be jointly countered by all of us if we do not wish our people to be fragmented and our history compartmentalized."

Pointing to the upcoming celebration of the 20th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem, Herzog said, "We look to (the city) as a focus for increased understanding, a gateway to peace, and an inspiration for the realization of our noblest ideals."

The President added: "Let us thank The Almighty for having vouchsafed our generation to witness the rebirth of Israel's Independence in our national homeland.

"Let us recall all the pioneers and builders — those who fought for our independence, the immigrants and the settlers. . . .

"Let us look forward with hope and faith to the next year of our independence, a year in which we pray to advance towards our two main goals: peace and aliya.

Christie bringing suit over lawyer's statement

By
PAUL LUNGEN

CALGARY —

Victoria lawyer Doug Christie may soon be in court again — this time not as an advocate on behalf of a client but as a party to a law suit.

Christie recently filed legal documents alleging lawyer Sheldon Chumir made statements at a public meeting in Calgary which **"in their natural and ordinary meaning, were understood to imply by way of innuendo...that (Christie) was a bigot, a racist and a hatemonger."**

Christie also alleged he has been "greatly injured in his credit, character and reputation as a practicing lawyer and he has been subjected to hatred, ridicule and contempt." He is asking the court for $30,000 in damages as well as an injunction preventing Chumir from making similar statements.

The alleged defamatory statements arose during a public meeting of a group calling itself the Canadian Association for Free Expression. Chumir, who attended the May 1985 meeting in Calgary, reportedly branded it a "front for racism and hatred" and said the group was not interested in free speech. The incident was reported in the Calgary Sun newspaper.

The meeting took place during the lengthy trial of convicted hatemonger Jim Keegstra, whom Christie represented, and was one of three held on consecutive days in Calgary, Edmonton and Red Deer. Joining Christie as featured speakers at the Red Deer meeting were Paul Fromm of Citizens for Foreign Aid Reform and Daryl Reside of CAFE (CJN June 6, 1985).

Chumir, who since the incident has been elected Liberal member of the provincial legislature representing Calgary Buffalo, said he's "not averse to (a court hearing) at all. I hope it will give us the opportunity to part the curtain and have a look at the nature of Christie's relations with Keegstra, Ernst Zundel" and others. (Christie also represented Zundel in an 8-week trial during which he argued on behalf of Zundel that six million Jews were not murdered in the Holocaust.)

Chumir, who is critical of the media for painting Christie as "a maverick" defending unpopular clients, said the media "missed the issue.

"I'm quite happy to meet Christie in court and have the full range of his activities (open) to public view," Chumir said.

Chumir expressed concern over Christie's personal views — the Victoria lawyer reportedly told The Globe and Mail, that in regards to the Holocaust, he had "some grave doubts about the 'exterminationist' side" — which when combined with his "charisma" and leadership of the the Western Canada Concept separtist party, make him a formidable figure.

Despite that, Chumir, past chairman of the Civil Liberties Section of the Canadian Bar Association, is undaunted by the prospect of a court battle.

"We're going to lock horns," he said.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

(1) What is Yom Ha'atzmaut?

(2) When is Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrated?

(3) What day is observed in Israel before Independence Day?

ANSWERS:

(1) Israel's Independence Day.

(2) On the 5th day of the month of Iyyar.

(3) Yom Hazikaron (Remembrance Day) for those who fell in active service in Israel wars.

Edmond Lipsitz

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

On May 2, 1979, six yeshiva students in Hebron were shot and killed by PLO terrorists. It was the group's latest attack on unarmed and defenceless civilians.

The PLO was founded in Cairo in 1964. It was one of several Arab groups aiming to undermine the 18-year-old Jewish State of Israel. Support was lent by Egyptian ruler Gamal Nasser. He wanted another dagger in his arsenal with which to harass both Israel — the most obvious obstacle to his grandiose dream of controlling the entire Middle East — and Jordan, his occasional ally and landlord over some million non-Hashemite Arabs west of the Jordan River. Nasser also wanted the nucleus of an Arab fighting force in the war with Israel that he was contemplating and a political stimulant to incite the Arabs in the Jewish state to armed insurrection.

Byzantine politics and conflicting ideologies, ambitions, nationalisms and personalities soon saw what one commentator called "another small sore" develop into a raging infection.

Soon spawned were: **Fatah,** the PLO's political and fund raising core; the **Palestine Liberation Army,** with divisions in the Egyptian, Syrian and Iraqi armies; the Syrian Baath Party sponsored **Saika,** a lynchpin of Syrian designs on Israel, Lebanon and Iraq; the **Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine,** led by Christian Arab George Habash; the **PFLP-Wadia Haddad,** a Yemen-based Habash offshoot; the **PDemocraticFLP,** a liaison group between the PLO and the Soviet Union, which under Nayef Hawatmeh broke from the PFLP in 1969; Ahmed Jebril's Libyan- and Syrian-supported **PFLP-General Command,** another PLFP splinter group; Mahmoud Zaidain's Libyan-supported **PLFront,** which split from Jebril's group; the **Arab Liberation Front,** the Iraqi Baath party's answer to Saika; the small **Front of Palestine Popular Struggle,** supplied by Libya and Iraq; **Black September,** a PLO hit gang; Abu Nidal's Iraqi-inspired **Black June;** and the **Eagles of the Palestinian Revolution,** a Saika hit gang.

Each group set out — together or alone, depending on the rivalries of the moment — to strike out at Israelis and by extension Jews. Spectacular hijacks, as at Entebbe and Mogadishu, were undertaken by the PFLP-Wadia Haddad. (Haddad was poisoned to death by Iraqi intelligence in 1978.) The PFLP General Command sought to exterminate children, in attacks on the Revivim school bus in 1970 and the school in Ma'alot in 1974. Likewise the ALF, which attacked the Kibbutz Misgav-Am nursery in 1980.

In 1979, the Eagles bombed a Jewish student hostel in Paris. Black June has attacked Jews across Europe, as has the PLFP, often in conjunction with non-Arab left wing extremists like West Germany's Baader Meinhof gang and Italy's Red Brigades.

Fatah's Black September perpetuated the 1972 Munich massacre of Israeli Olympic athletes. Other PLO operations, some in conjunction with European gangs, have included:

- The 1969 bombing of the El Al office and U.S. installations in West Berlin.
- Various attempts to bomb, shoot down, or hijack El Al airliners.
- The 1972 Lod airport massacre, with PFLP and Japanese terrorists.
- The 1971 murder of the Israel consul in Ankara.
- Attacks on European synagogues through the late 70s and 80s.

The PLO's vastness was revealed in the 1982 Lebanon war. The 9,000 prisoners Israel took were about half the PLO force, whose members originated from India to Algeria. Some carried diplomas from Russian training camps. About $770 million had been provided by Saudi Arabia alone in the preceding four years — in part to purchase vast quantities of Soviet weapons. Since then, PLO terrorists have returned to Lebanon to resume their threat.

In 1985, the PLO was implicated in the Djerba synagogue shooting, a number of hijackings, and the Larnaca murder of three yachtsmen. Last year's Turkey synagogue massacre, for which no group claimed responsibility, was attributed by some to a PLO affiliate.

On May 14, 1986, Zakariya Rahim, head of the PLO's political department, urged Arab states, via the Kuwaiti news agency, "to carry on the armed struggle to liberate Palestine and liquidate Zionism . . . every inch of Palestine occupied by the robbers (since 1948) and on which they established the Zionist entity."

Convicted of wartime atrocities

Linnas shipped back to Estonia

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Convicted Nazi war criminal Karl Linnas, the commander of an Estonian death camp where many Jews were killed, was returned to his native Estonia from the United States last week to face charges of mass murder.

Linnas, a retired surveyor from Greenlawn, NY, was flown to Tallin, Estonia's capital, via Prague, after the U.S. Supreme Court refused to stay his deportation.

Before boarding a Czech plane in New York bound for Moscow, the 67-year-old Linnas, a coat covering his handcuffs, shouted to the press: "Tell the American people what they are doing is murder and kidnapping."

Linnas was sentenced to death in absentia in the Soviet Union in 1961 for wartime atrocities. Since 1951, he lived quietly in Greenlawn. He was granted U.S. citizenship in 1960, after concealing his wartime activities upon entering the country under the Displaced Persons Act of 1948.

Linnas was charged by the U.S. justice department of directing firing squads at prisoners kneeling before pits that served as mass graves, and of personally shooting camp inmates in the Tartu camp.

Following investigations by the justice department's Office of Special Investigations, Linnas was stripped of his citizenship in July 1981 by U.S. District Court in Westbury, NY, a decision he appealed numerous times through several courts.

He was ordered deported on May 29, 1983.

After losing a bid to the Board of Immigration Appeal, he took his case to the Supreme Court, which refused four times since last December to hear his appeal.

Two weeks ago, Linnas came within hours of receiving political asylum from Panama, which retracted its offer after the swift intercession of the World Jewish Congress and other leading Jewish legal activists, including Menachem Rosensaft, chairman of the International Network of Children of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, and Brooklyn District Attorney Elizabeth Holtzman, who, as a Congresswoman, authored legislation for the deportation of Nazi war criminals.

Benjamin Meed, president of the American Gathering and Federation of the Jewish Holocaust Survivors, who was preparing to mention the case at commemoration of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, said: "Thank God. I think we should be proud of the action of our government. It's not enough, and it's quite late, but better late than never. I would say that this will probably encourage further actions against Nazi war criminals in the United States. This is not a question of vengeance. It's a question of going through the judicial process.

"The books of the U.S. should remain open, so that we can't say that we did not take action against known war criminals, Nazi collaborators and Nazi murderers."

Meed praised the "devotion" of OSI director Neal Sher in seeing through the process.

Biographer, church argue over nun

NEW YORK (JTA) — Edith Stein, a Carmelite nun killed at Auschwitz in 1942, has become the subject of a dispute between her biographer, James Baaden, and the Catholic Church.

Baaden maintains she died "because she was Jewish and for no other reason." The church insists she was a martyr who offered her life "for the conversion of all Jews to the Catholic Church." (See Jewish World column, page 8).

Baaden, an American scholar living in London, who is Jewish, has been debating the issue in correspondence with Dominican Father Ambrogio Eszer of the Vatican Congregation for Sainthood Causes and in articles in the British Catholic newspaper The Tablet, the National Catholic News Service (NCNS) reported.

Baaden disputed the Catholic position that Stein was executed as part of a "reprisal" against the church by the Nazis who were angered that Dutch bishops protested in 1942 against the deportation of Jews from The Netherlands where Stein lived.

"It is perfectly clear that the Nazi occupation authorities proposed to deport all Jews resident in The Netherlands regardless of their individual religious affiliation," he wrote.

Father Eszer said in response that it was "very clear that the motive of the Nazi action" was "hatred against the church." He added that "the Protestant Jews (converts) were either not captured or (were) immediately released."

Court says Zundel can get passport

BONN — A German administrative high court ruled recently that Ernst Zundel is entitled to receive a West German passport.

Zundel had gone to court to obtain a passport when the West German consulate general in Toronto refused to renew it. The court in Muenster ruled that anti-semitic statements and activities by a West German citizen do not justify the state's refusal to issue him with identity papers.

The court said it was understandable that government authorities wished to distance themselves from the views and activities of a citizen abroad who had been leading an anti-Jewish campaign for many years, but they had no right to refuse a passport as punishment.

Zundel, 48, was charged and convicted for publishing lies alleging the Holocaust did not happen. His conviction was overturned on appeal because of errors made by the trial judge in the jury selection process and in instructing the jury prior to its deliberations.

The Crown is appealing that Court of Appeal decision, though the Supreme Court of Canada has not indicated whether it will hear the appeal.

Evidence adduced at trial indicated Zundel was a leading distributor of Holocaust-denial literature.

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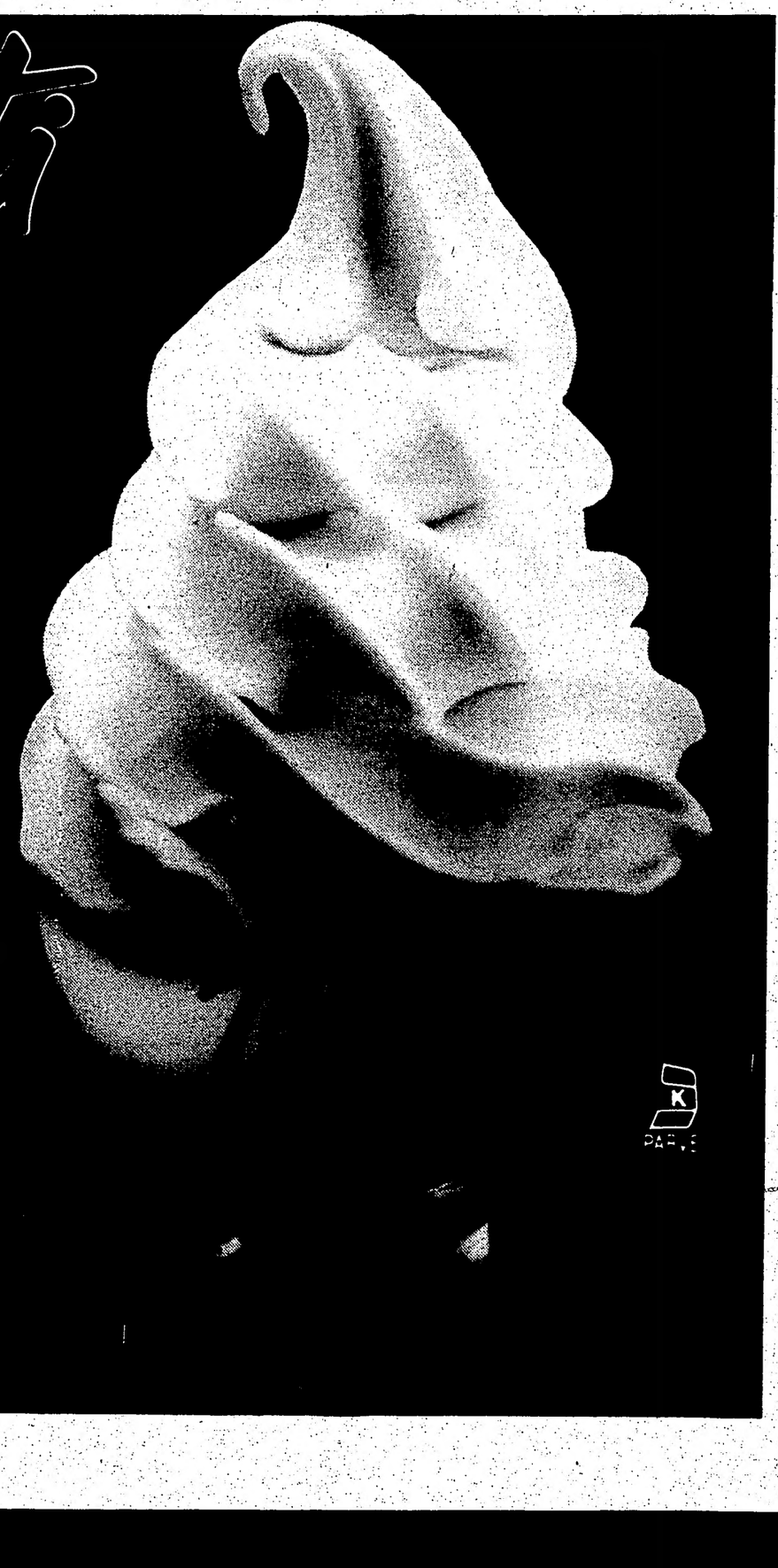

Editorial

Shame of Izieu

The trial of Klaus Barbie is slated to begin in France later this year. The prospect of this trial has occasioned a great deal of disquiet among certain echelons of society for reasons which are buried in France's wartime occupation by the Germans.

During that occupation thousands of Jews were handed over to the Nazis for deportation to the concentration camps — and extermination.

One of the most poignant chapters of that evil interlude in French history occurred when 44 Jewish children were seized by the Gestapo in April of 1944 in Izieu, not far from Lyons.

A short time later plaques were put up in Izieu and in the neighboring village of Bregnier-Cordon commemorating the children involved.

There is one problem with the plaques.

Neither mentions the fact that the tiny deportees (some of whom were manacled on their way to Auschwitz) were Jews.

Despite requests by members of the Jewish community in Lyons for the omission to be remedied, town officials refuse to make any changes.

Marc Aron, a physician, and spokesman for the Jews of Lyons, is undoubtedly correct when he says: "They know very well what happened, but they want to forget."

For the doctor the refusal of Izieu officials to add the word "Jews" to the plaques "shows a wilful insensitivity to the particularly Jewish character of the tragedy inflicted by the Nazis, to the fact that the 44 children would not have been killed if they had not been Jews."

That insensitivity is especially to be condemned given the fact that the children were denounced to the Gestapo by someone living in the Izieu area.

What the Nazis and the French collaborators did to the Jews of Izieu and France cannot be undone. In refusing to identify the Jewishness of the victims of Nazi barbarism, however, the officials in Izieu compromise both their honor and that of France.

A most useful visit

Israel's foreign and educational ministries are to be congratulated for their initiative in sponsoring visits to Canada by Israeli high schoolers.

During a 6-week stay in Canada (CJN April 9) the Israeli youngsters performed well in building bridges between our country and the Jewish state.

Canadian government officials should also be cited for their readiness to meet with the Israeli teenagers on several occasions.

Jean Charest, the federal minister for youth, was one of the latter who spoke to the Israeli delegation on Parliament Hill about matters of common interest.

One of the important messages communicated to the minister was that Israel has almost a million francophones. Charest stressed the need for broader programs for young people.

During visits to schools in Ontario, Quebec and the Western provinces the Israeli visitors were greeted warmly by everyone and found that Canadian high school students were eager to learn about Israel.

One of the most important aspects about the delegation's visit was that it was not politically oriented. In their discussions with Canadian youth, conversations pivoted on musical tastes, fashion trends and the mutual concerns of young people.

The idea of sending young Israelis to Canada to meet their counterparts here is a wonderful one. It is an idea worthy of emulation.

It would be a rewarding experience for a delegation of Canadian highschoolers to visit their peers in Israel. This kind of human, people-to-people contact, would be of inestimable value in cementing the already close ties which exist between Canada and Israel.

Would the Hon. Jean Charest please take note.

Catholic nun gassed in Auschwitz

Sainthood for Jewish convert

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Sister Teresa Benedicta, otherwise known as Edith Stein, will be beatified on May 1 in a ceremony in Cologne, West Germany — the first beatification of a Jewish convert to Christianity in modern times.

Stein, a German Jew who perished in Auschwitz, may yet be declared a saint by the Vatican.

The daughter of Siegfried and Auguste Stein, she was born in Breslau (Wroclaw) on Yom Kippur in the year 1891. The last of 11 children, she was a bright child who excelled in her studies. At 18, she entered the University of Breslau, only to transfer to Gottingen University, where she studied with the eminent philosopher Edmund Husserl, the father of phenomenology.

Edith Stein

Stein obtained a doctorate degree, with the highest honors, and became Husserl's assistant. On new year's day in 1922, she was baptized a Catholic. Stein converted because she was spiritually adrift and looking for meaning in life. Brought up as a Jew, she was not familiar with Judaism, her Jewish education having been cursory.

Fortified by her new faith, Stein began teaching at St. Magdalena, a Catholic teachers' college in the town of Speyer. During this phase, she also wrote and lectured on education and the role of women in Roman Catholicism. Stein translated the letters of John Henry Cardinal Newman from English to German, published a comparison of the philosophy of Thomas Aquinas and the phenomenology of Edmund Husserl, and started work on *Finite and Eternal Being*, her most ambitious book.

Ten years after her baptism, Stein was appointed a lecturer at the German Institute for Scientific Pedagogy in Munster. But in 1933, the year the Nazis came to power, she was dismissed because of her Jewish background.

Stein joined the Discalced Carmelites, a cloistered order. Before entering the convent, she wrote a letter to Pope Pius XI, asking the Vatican to condemn German anti-semitism. A month prior to Kristallnacht, she compared herself to a famous figure in Jewish history. "I cannot help thinking again and again of Queen Esther, who was taken from her people for the express purpose of standing before the king for her people," she said in a letter to the mother superior of an Ursuline convent. "I am a very poor and helpless little Esther..."

After Kristallnacht, she went into exile, joining a Carmelite community in Holland, where she continued writing her autobiography and started a book on St. John of the Cross. In the summer of 1942, the Gestapo raided her convent, arresting Stein as well as her sister Rosa (who had converted to Christianity in 1936, after her mother's death.)

She and Rosa were transported to Auschwitz and were gassed there in August of that year.

Susanne Batzdorf, her niece, sums up her aunt's fate succinctly. In a recent piece in The New York Times Magazine, she writes: "Though she was a Catholic who embraced her chosen faith with joy and devotion, she was not, in the end, separated from those who had remained Jews and were killed because they were Jews."

POLLARD CONTINUED...

Judging by a New York Times/CBS News Poll, there is little evidence that anti-semitism in the U.S. has increased as a result of Israel's involvement in the Jonathan Pollard spy case and the Iran/Contra scandal.

Asked if these well-publicized cases would cause anti-semitism to increase, 59% of non-Jewish respondents said no, while 33% said yes. Twenty one percent of non-Jews said that American Jews have too much power, but 64% disagreed. By a margin of 49% to 28%, non-Jews rejected the idea that "most American Jews place the interests of Israel above the interests of the United States."

Jews, however, were not so sanguine, with 54% of Jewish respondents saying that anti-semitism would in fact increase.

The poll found little sympathy for Pollard among American Jews. Thirty four percent said they were angry that he had spied for Israel, and 27% said they were embarrassed. Only 13% of Jews said they sympathized with him. Forty percent described his life sentence as too harsh.

REAGAN AND JEWS

Israel probably has never had a better friend in the White House than President Ronald Reagan. Nevertheless, American Jews are far more critical of Reagan than other white Americans, according to a recent survey.

Caucasian non-Jews approved of Reagan's performance by 53% to 37%. By contrast, 61% of Jews were critical of the way he handled his job.

Fifty four percent of Jews registered to vote said they expected to cast their ballots for the Democratic presidential nominee. Only 12% said they would vote for the Republican candidate.

In the 1980 election, Democrat Jimmy Carter picked up 45% of the Jewish vote, Reagan 39% and independent John Anderson 15%.

Four years later, Walter Mondale, the Democratic standard-bearer, won 67% of the Jewish vote.

The figures suggest that Jews, despite their turn to the right in recent years, are still largely loyal Democrats.

IGNAZ GOLDZIHER

Modern scholars who specialize in the study of Islam owe a great debt of gratitude to a Hungarian Jew who dazzled his peers as a child prodigy.

Ignaz Goldziher, the founder of Islamology, was a towering figure in his field. By the age of 40, he had produced the 2-volume *Mohammedan Studies*, a critical examination of Islam. "Until Goldziher all this was terra incognita, not only for European scholars but also for Moslem (religious leaders and intellectuals)," writes Raphael Patai, the editor of *Ignaz Golziher and His Oriental Diary (Wayne State University Press, $22.50)*.

The diary, which Goldziher wrote in the Middle East between 1873 and 1874, reveals a complex man who felt extremely close to the Arabs.

He did not conceal his likes and dislikes. He admired the Arabs, considered the Christians rascals, and described "Jewish idlers" he saw in Jerusalem as "disgusting."

Born in the town of Szekesfehervar, Goldziher had read the Bible by the age of 5, and immersed himself in the Talmud when he was only 8. He came to the attention of Arminius Vambery, the famed Jewish Turcologist who would become a Moslem, and through him went on to earn a PhD at the University of Leipzig.

Absorbed culture of the Arabs

Before returning to Hungary, Goldziher traveled to the Middle East on a stipend, absorbing the culture of the Arabs and recording his impressions of the places he visited. His diary, says Patai, "contributes a better understanding of Goldziher's work and of the manner in which his critical mind reacted to the... world of Islam." Patai adds that he became "infatuated with Islam, a sentiment that was to remain with him all his life."

After his return from the Middle East, Goldziher began teaching at the University of Budapest. By that time, he had published important papers throughout Europe. Despite his accomplishments, he could not aspire to a professorship, being unwilling to change his religion. When this became clear, he accepted the position of secretary of the Israelite Congregation in Pest, a job he held for 30 years and which he loathed. "The Jews wanted to have pity on me," he wrote. "This is the misfortune of my life."

Patai, an Orientalist, claims that Goldziher could have "broken the shackles" that bound him to the Israelite Congregation. There were job offers from the Egyptian ministry of education, the University of Prague, Cambridge and several German universities. But Goldziher rejected all of them. "I am condemned to remain to the end of my life in this place, chained to my duties that still stand higher than all the comforts of an academic chair in Germany," he noted in self-pity.

Patai speculates that he stayed in Budapest to take care of his sister's orphaned children. But in doing so, Goldziher grew increasingly bitter, developing "a hatred" for the Jewish Establishment that employed him.

After his death in 1921, Goldziher's fabulous library of books on Islam was bought by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The sale did not include manuscripts he had left behind, these remaining in the possession of his son, Karoly.

Karoly Goldziher left his father's papers to the Budapest Rabbinical Seminary. Patai, a Hungarian Jew who obviously admires Goldziher, translated his diary. And thanks to him, the insights of an important scholar are available to the public at large.

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"A fairly independent line" likely, says Israeli expert

How would China behave at Mideast peace parley?

By
LEV BEARFIELD

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Much of the divisive controversy surrounding the proposal for an international peace conference on the Middle East centres on the participation of the Soviet Union.

But what of China, that other member of the United Nations Security Council which does not have diplomatic relations with Israel?

Like the Soviets, the Chinese have long advocated the PLO position and have traditionally been unsympathetic to the Jewish state.

As with the Soviets, however, recent developments indicate that a change in attitude toward Israel might be in the offing.

Such change is difficult to measure, as the political mind of Peking seems even more mysterious that that of the kremlin.

But if there is to be an international conference, must Israel expect the Chinese to be just another hostile guest at the table? Might they show a softening of position on the question of the territories? Have they any reason to pursue better ties with Israel?

What, in fact, are China's interests in the Middle East? Do they even desire to participate in the international conference?

One Israeli who has dedicated a good part of his life to dealing with just such questions is Dr. Yitzhak Shichor, chairman of the department of East Asian studies at the Hebrew University's Truman Institute.

Shichor, 43, has been analyzing China's interests in the Middle East region ever since he was a political science student at the Hebrew University and a doctoral candidate in international relations at the London School of Economics.

Indeed, his dissertation in 1976 dealt with precisely that subject, and he has since published a full-length study and numerous articles on China vis-a-vis the Arab world.

Naturally enough, Shichor has been closely following the latest signals from China — most notably the recent meeting between foreign ministry director-general Avraham Tamir and the Chinese representative at the United Nations.

He has obviously been weighing the matter from every angle for quite some time.

"First of all," says Israel's foremost native-born China-watcher, "we know that the Chinese certainly do want to participate in an international conference. They have said as much on several occasions.

"And that's not unexpected, because they have genuine interests in the Middle East. What is less clear is how the Chinese might behave at such a conference. Here we have to build from speculation to speculation.

"Our initial speculation, of course, concerns whether or not an international conference is actually going to come about."

In order for it to become a reality, certain conditions must be met. Israel, for example, is insisting that all participants at such a conference must have full diplomatic relations with Jerusalem. Most observers believe this is not an unreasonable demand.

"Nevertheless," says Shichor, "the Chinese position has always been that they will not establish formal relations with Israel until certain conditions are met. These include withdrawal from the territories, the establishment of some sort of political entity for the Palestinians — a state or whatever — and an end to what the Chinese call Israel's policy of imperialist aggression."

But these are more or less the kind of things one might expect to be on the agenda of the international conference. Does this mean that if these matters are not resolved first, the Chinese won't participate?

Shichor smiles. "Possibly," he said. "But if we're speculating here, let's assume some compromises of positions all around. After all, compromise is the name of the game to begin with.

"What I've been speaking about is the traditional Chinese position on Israel. But we've seen unprecedented developments recently . . . we now have direct mail between Israel and China, there are Israeli students in Peking, Israeli tourists can go to China on Israel passports, Chinese officials keep showing up at Israeli trade fairs — and we've had these reports about arms deals.

"And then there was the meeting at the United Nations with Tamir. The Chinese representative made it clear that this was not a bilateral meeting but a meeting with a permanent member of the Security Council.

"The Chinese representative insisted that Tamir meet with the other council members as well. But the Chinese were merely covering themselves there with regard to the Arabs.

"The fact is that the meeting took place, and that was a very significant step. It showed China's interest in being treated as a superpower and, I think, China's interest in taking part in a Middle East conference."

But what incentive is there for China to take a seat at the conference table?

"China," says Shichor, "is only now coming to recognize its potential as a superpower, and that as such it must play its part in world affairs. You know, China was very hesitant for years about joining the United Nations. And once it did, it usually didn't vote. Only now is it getting more self-confident.

"Now, seeing what the Russians are doing in Afghanistan, seeing that smaller countries can't resolve their problems, seeing that things have settled into a more rational way of life in China itself with the Cultural Revolution behind them, the Chinese are ready to assume their responsibilities in world forums.

"Its position before was that the parties directly involved should solve their differences. But now the Chinese seem to agree that a more pragmatic and rational approach is needed. And not just because the Soviets and the Americans are involved, but because of their own interests."

What do those interests include?

"They would like to have a stronger footing in the Middle East," says Shichor, "and this proposed conference would give them an excuse for such a penetration.

"As far as the Arabs are concerned, the Chinese could present themselves as the only participant at the international conference representing the interests of the Third World.

"This is significant because, aside from the PLO, China has not been supporting any of the 'liberation movements' anywhere in the world. So it could keep up its credibility as a 'revolutionary body' in that respect by taking part in the conference.

"China might also hope to win points with the Arabs by pressing their view at the conference, because China has deep economic ties with the Arabs.

"Peking is currently a major arms supplier to many Middle East states — Egypt, Iraq, Iran, others. They want to keep it that way. They don't want those states turning elsewhere. Indeed, the Chinese are very hard-pressed for foreign currency. Now more than ever, they can't afford to lose those markets.

"At the same time," continues Shichor, "China has legitimate interests in better ties with Israel. At least part of the leadership sees advantages in this.

"Their arms industry, for example, is vast, but not sophisticated. It's basically a Soviet model created in the 1950s. It turns out guns, ammunition, tanks, submarines, somewhat improved versions of the MiG-19 and MiG-21 — all of which it sells to the Arabs.

"But for their own purposes alone, the Chinese desperately need technical assistance in modernizing that arms industry. They believe they could get that from Israel.

"In addition, they believe Israel could provide them with invaluable information gained in combat against Soviet arms.

"China is also intensely interested in Israeli agriculture. Only about 12% of China's land is under cultivation, and they have vast arid zones. That's why they covet Israel's farm technology. They're also very interested in our solar energy research."

But is it in Israel's interests to have better relations with China?

"Oh, I think undoubtedly it is," says Shichor. "In addition to opening up the world's largest market, it would certainly strengthen Israel's standing in the international community.

"I think an international conference is the only way to break the ice between China and Israel, and the prize of establishing relations would be of tremendous value to Israel, regardless of anything the conference might lead to."

And what, in fact, might it lead to?

"That," says Shichor, "depends on what expectations we have from an international conference. The Chinese would articulate the Arab position, but presumably would be more amenable to compromise than the Arabs. Compromise, after all, is what negotiations is all about.

"And I think we could expect a fairly independent line of thinking from the Chinese.

"Not long ago, China's foreign policy was based purely on fear of the Soviets. But the Chinese seem to have got over that now.

"After Afghanistan, with new economic problems and so on, we see more of a convergence of views between the Soviets and China. I'm not sure if that should worry us or not. Truth is, the literature shows the Chinese are more critical of the American role in the Middle East than they are of the Russians.

"There's another element to consider, too. The Chinese quietly favored the Camp David agreements — because they excluded the Soviets.

"I think they see now that ignoring the interests of the Soviets may not have been such a good idea. Other states have come around to this view, too.

"The more mature leaders of the world, the superpowers, are coming to realize that agreements which don't pay attention to the interests of the big players are likely to be limited in effect.

"Another way to express this," he says, "is that other states are getting fed up with the Middle East. They think a settlement is long overdue — and who can argue with that?

"The Chinese, who seem to be in a moderate mood, appear to see that stability in this part of the world would be in their own interest. As much as they support the PLO, they are very critical of the factionalism and squabbling both in that organization and in the Arab world as a whole.

"So I think they're ready for a rational resolution of the problem. And I think the other states go along with that.

"In the end, I think we're seeing more leaders acting more rationally these days. They're taking on new models, new approaches — they're more concerned about people living well than with prolonging conflicts.

"I don't think the Soviets would object to the Chinese role at a Middle East conference. I don't think the United States would object. I don't think we should be afraid of it."

Last-minute lobbying won UN vote

This excerpt, from *Weizmann, Land of the Patriarchs*, by BARNET LITVINOFF, recounts the events leading up to the final vote in the United Nations General Assembly which approved the establishment of the State of Israel.

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Immensely frail, Chaim Weizmann rose from his sick-bed and, accompanied by the Jewish Agency expert Elihau Epstein, traveled to Washington by train. President Harry Truman insisted on absolute privacy, if not secrecy. He and the "old doctor," as he called Weizmann, pored over Epstein's sketch-map of the area and talked for half an hour.

That same afternoon, the President telephoned his chief delegate at Lake Success: the southern Negev, with its keyhole to the Red Sea, must be kept within the Jewish state. In return the Arabs were to be compensated with Beersheba and a strip along the Egyptian frontier. The Russians proved agreeable, and the situation was saved.

One further week remained before the final vote in the General Assembly, and Weizmann's suite at the Waldorf Astoria now became the nerve centre of the campaign to force the partition motion through.

The list of likely opponents and abstainers was long, and gave the Zionists cause for grave anxiety. To win the required two-thirds majority, some minds had to be changed.

France was under heavy pressure from the Arab world to suppress her instinct to vote for the Jewish state. Her vote was captured from under Arab eyes by an assault from two sides. Bernard Baruch, whose wartime hostility to Weizmann had changed to admiration, advised the French representative that American aid to his country might be withdrawn in the event of a negative stand. The vote was due to be taken on Nov. 26.

The evening before, Weizmann telephoned a Zionist friend in Paris, Marc Jarblum, to transmit a message to Leon Blum, now at the end of his political and physical tether. This said: "France's decision to abstain from voting has caused painful dismay here, and above all to the 5 million-strong Jewish community. For the first time, the two Great Powers are in agreement. French abstention could well lead to others following her example, and this may well wreck the entire plan. If the French government destroyed the Jewish people's last hope, it would bear a frightful responsibility."

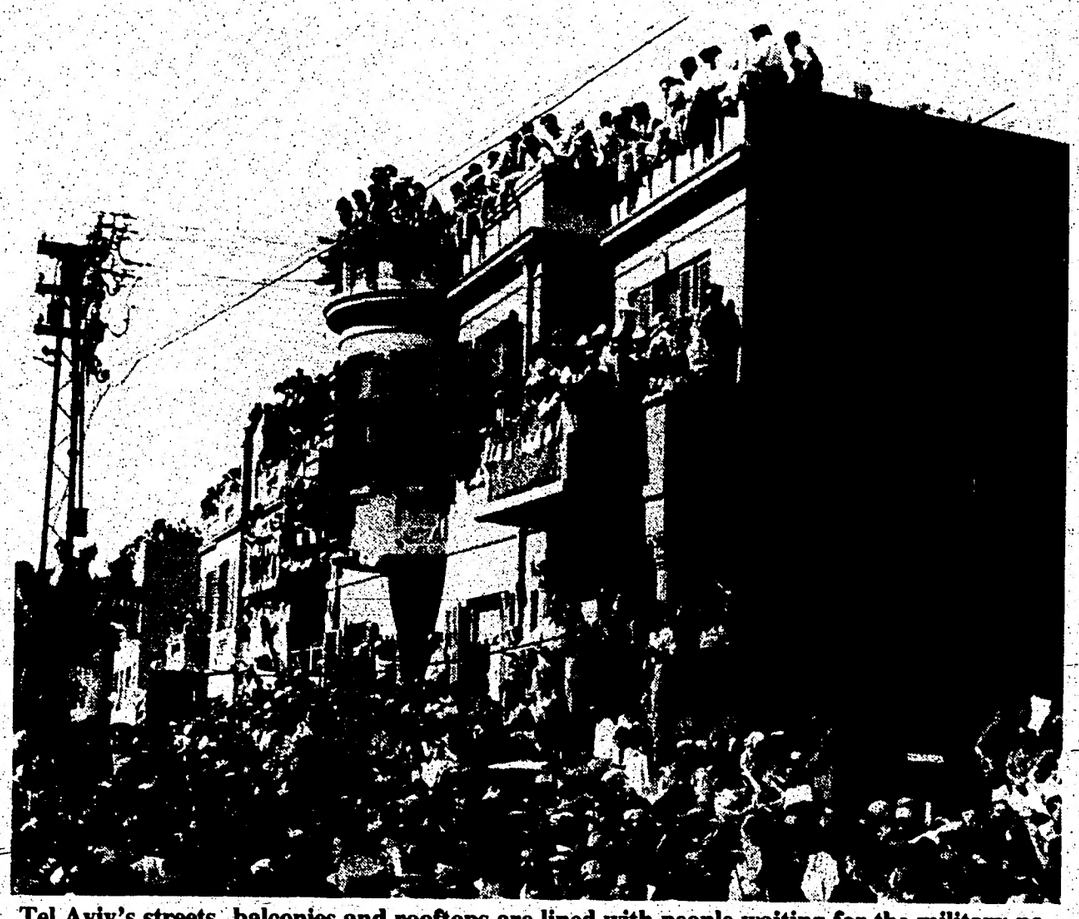
It was midnight in Paris. But Blum could not ignore the plea. He had the message conveyed to President Vincent Auriol, as well as to the premier, Paul Ramadier, and the foreign minister, George Bidault. France succumbed.

Less difficult to persuade were those Central American republics whose economic lifeblood depended on the United Fruit Company, for this corporation was owned by the Zionist Samuel Zemurray. The Philippines were won over when detective work tracked down an American Jew in London who had been physician and friend to the president in Manila. It was rumored in the lobbies that Liberia was moved to a change of heart on a hint from the Firestone Rubber Company.

Passage of the resolution was still not assured, when the Arab states requested more time and Thanksgiving Day intervened. Unexpectedly, the Jews found themselves with three days grace to continue their canvass. In this interval they won over Greece, Belgium and New Zealand. Nov. 29 was a Saturday, and Jews with religious scruples sought rabbinical dispensation to travel on the Sabbath to witness the denouement.

Emotionally and physically spent, Weizmann remained in his bedroom while the General Assembly voted. A retinue of faithfuls constantly traveled back and forth to bring him the progress of the struggle. Suddenly, all was quiet in his suite. Weisgal, Shertok, all the others, had gone off to Flushing Meadow and he was left alone with Vera (his wife) at last. For the first time in those historic weeks something snapped in the old man. He broke down and sobbed.

The spasm endured barely a few moments, and by the time he recovered the General Assembly had done its work, and Chaim Weizmann was head in everything but name of what was already virtually an independent sovereign Jewish state — restored after 19 centuries of hope and prayer.



Tel Aviv's streets, balconies and rooftops are lined with people waiting for the military parade marking one year of Israel's independence, May 4, 1949. [WZPS photo]

Opinion

Better record than most nations but not blameless

Italy's complex role in the Holocaust documented

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Holocaust in Italy — a nation with no strong anti-semitic tradition where Jews found widespread acceptance — has not been extensively documented.

The Italians and the Holocaust (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $28.95), fills the gap magnificently.

Susan Zuccotti's clearly-written and excellently researched book is more than an account of the Holocaust, which struck Italian Jewry swiftly and suddenly. It is a tragic tale of a highly assimilated community that was disenfranchised and humiliated by its own government before an occupying foreign power, Nazi Germany, dealt the fatal final blow.

It is a complex story, peculiarly Italian, with many shades of gray. Zuccotti, a New York-based historian, demolishes the popular myth that Hitler forced the 1938 anti-semitic laws on Benito Mussolini, Italy's dictator. But she points out that, until Italy's surrender in September of 1943, Jews under Italian jurisdiction were physically safe, whether in Italy, Greece, Croatia or France. Despite German pressure, not a single Jew, either of Italian or other nationality, was deported. Italy may have persecuted Jews, but Italy did not consign them to the death camps of Poland. The Holocaust, which claimed the lives of about 6,800 Jews, or 15% of Italian Jewry, was carried out by the Germans and their Italian lackeys.

Benito Mussolini

The 85% survival rate, one of the highest in Nazi-occupied Europe, was due to several factors, one of which was the degree of integration of Jews into Italian society.

The emancipation of Italian Jewry occurred in the last decade of the 19th century, after the infamous ghetto system had been abolished.

In 1906, Sidney Sonnino, the converted son of a Tuscan landowner, became the first prime minister of Jewish descent, and he held that position again from 1908-1910. Before his career ended, Sonnino, registered as a Protestant, was also finance minister and foreign minister. Luigi Luzzatti, a Venetian Jew who had served as finance minister, was the first professing Jew to be prime minister. He was appointed in 1910.

Jews were prominent in the military. Giussepe Ottolenghi, Italy's first Jewish general, was minister of war in 1902. Fifty Jewish generals fought on the Italian side in World War I, with Emmanuele Pugliese becoming the most decorated general in the army. Guido Liuzzi was commander of the War School, while Angelo Modena retired as president of the Supreme Army and Navy Tribunal.

Jews excelled in other fields as well. Two of Italy's finest novelists, Alberto Moravia and Italo Svevo, were half-Jewish and Jewish respectively. And in 1930, 8% of all university professors were Jewish.

Mussolini's rise to power in 1922 did not affect Jews. "Many Jews" were loyal fascists, and at least five took part in the founding of the fascist party. During the 1920s and 1930s, a number of Jews held important positions in the regime. Among them were Aldo Finzi, a member of the first Fascist Grand Council and undersecretary of the ministry of interior (he was murdered by the Germans in 1944); Dante Almansi, vice-chief of police; Guido Jung, finance minister from 1932 to 1935; Maurizio Rava, vice-governor of Libya (an Italian colony), and Giorgio Del Vecchio, the first fascist rector of the University of Rome.

Mussolini's Jewish mistress and close associate, Margherita Sarfatti, was co-editor of Gerarchia, the fascist party's monthly ideological review. In 1936, she fell from grace, and was replaced by the common Clara Petacci.

According to Zuccotti, 4,920 Jews joined the fascists between 1928 and 1933, slightly more than 10% of the Italian Jewish population (the membership percentage of the non-Jewish population was roughly the same.) "Jewish involvement with Italian fascism is not surprising," she writes. Most Italian Jews, with the exception of those in Rome, were solidly middle-class and conservative, supportive of the political status quo and at home in a party known for its anti-clerical strain.

Sidney Sonnino

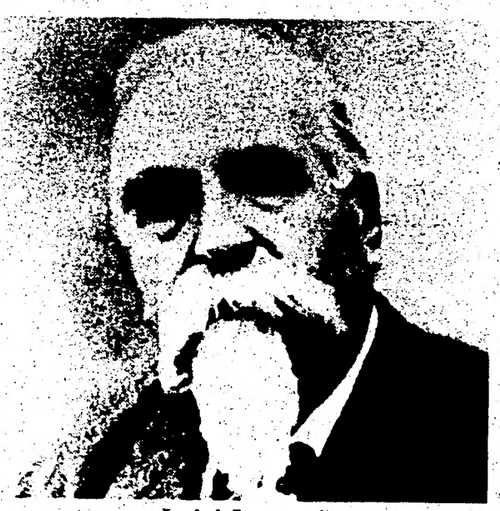
To be sure, there were anti-semitic elements in the fascist rank and file, but their voices were not heard in public until after 1936. Following the appointment of his pro-German son-in-law Galeazzo Ciano as foreign minister, Mussolini allied himself unequivocably with Hitler. What happened next was probably inevitable. Anti-Zionism, which Mussolini had regarded ambivalently, was now attacked in official fascist periodicals. And anti-semitism, which had been suppressed, surfaced with a vengeance as crass anti-Jewish propagandists like Alfredo Romanini and Roberto Farinacci went on the offensive.

"There is no evidence that Hitler or his top aides ever demanded an anti-semitic program as the price of German friendship," observes Zuccotti. "Mussolini alone bears responsibility for the racial laws."

According to the author, they were a function of a few factors — Mussolini's desire to please Germany, the increasing racist political and intellectual climate in Italy itself (a result, in part, of opportunism by bureaucrats who wanted to build their careers on the basis of Italy's alliance with Germany), and the growing belief, within precincts of the church, that Jews and Communism were inextricably linked.

The shrill press campaign that accompanied the passage of the 1938 racial laws, which affected both Italian and foreign Jews, emphasized the pro-British aspects of Zionism, the anti-semitic measures in other countries and Jewish support for the Loyalists in the Spanish Civil War. Newspapers also denigrated all Jewish contributions to Italy, past and present.

The racial laws and the subsequent Aryanization decrees, which deprived Jews of



Luigi Luzzatti

many of their rights, as well as their property, were not entirely popular in the fascist party. Zuccotti says that over 1,000 fascist party members lost their membership cards between 1938 and 1943 because of "pietism," the name given to the crime of sympathizing with Jews. Even a vocal Jew baiter like Farinacci long resisted firing his Jewish secretary. In an attempt to appease them, Mussolini agreed to a policy of exemptions, which were awarded on a case-by-case basis.

Two thousand four hundred and eighty six were granted and 3,384 applications were rejected. Exemptions were given to the immediate members of Jews who had been killed, wounded or decorated while in the service of the Italian army, old fascists and individuals of exceptional merit.

In general, enthusiasm for racial anti-semitism was weak in Italy, she writes. Plans for university chairs on racial studies never materialized, and ordinary Italians were never convinced, as they were in Germany, that Jews were the devil incarnate.

Pope Pius XI, though opposed to atheistic Nazi anti-semitism, offered few objections to the racial laws. And the protests of his successor, Pius XII, primarily concerned the treatment of the estimated 6,000 Jews who, after 1938, had converted.

King Victor Emmanuel III, a figure of reverence in the Jewish community, did not object either, the laws having been issued in his name.

The morning after Mussolini declared war on the Allies on June 10, 1940, the Italian police began to arrest foreign Jews and to place them in primitive camps. Zuccotti says that they were not arrested as Jews but as enemy aliens.

The majority of Italian Jews were not touched, unless their political pasts suggested an aversion to fascism. In a strange twist, the government temporarily brought a Jewish admiral out of retirement to raise the fleet sunk by the British at Taranto, and, on the insistence of a Catholic cardinal, awarded gold and bronze military medals to a Jew who had distinguished himself in the Ethiopian campaign.

As this was going on, Italian occupation officials in France, Greece and Yugloslavia were harboring Jews, preventing their deportation eastward. Zuccotti suggests that they resented German encroachments on their sovereignty, did not want to be associated with responsibility for the Holocaust, and acted out of fear that their acquiescence in the Final Solution would have immense personal consequences after the war.

Yet times had changed. The war fanned popular emotions in Italy and ugly anti-semitic violence broke out, with Jewish shops being vandalized. Jews were also conscripted to perform hard labor.

By the summer of 1943, the war was going badly for Italy. In July of that year, Mussolini was overthrown and arrested. The fascist party was dissolved and the man who enforced the anti-semitic laws was detained. The Jews, jubilant at the new developments, thought that their nightmare had come to an end. But they were completely wrong. The 45-day government headed by Marshal Pietro Badoglio "did almost nothing for the Jews." He retained the racial laws, and failed to end forced labor.

Giuseppe Ottolenghi

Disaster descended on the Jews in the wake of the Badoglio interregnum: The Germans took over central and northern Italy, and Mussolini returned as leader of the new Italian Socialist Republic. In the power vacuum that existed during the first three or four months of the German occupation, semi-autonomous bands of Italian thugs sprang up, with no Italian authorities directly controlling them. These fanatics burned Jewish buildings and seized Jews, turning them over to the Germans.

In October of 1943, German units fanned out across Italy, rounding up Jews in places like Rome, Milan and Turin. A month later, all Jews in Italy, including those who had secured exemptions, were declared enemy aliens, and Italian law enforcement agencies were obliged to arrest them.

Italian Jews went into hiding, finding refuge in Christian homes and in Catholic institutions. The Pope, Zuccotti, says, could have done more to help Jews.

A few thousand Jews joined the partisans.

In explaining why 85% of Italian Jewry survived the onslaught of Nazism, she cites several reasons: The Holocaust came fairly late to Italy and thus the danger period was shorter; Jews, being assimilated into Italian culture, were better able to save themselves; Italians were fed up with the war and, in their disgust, were prepared to assist anyone victimized by it.

Italy's record was therefore better than that of other countries under Germany's thumb. But the Italians were not blameless. Says Zuccotti, "They cannot escape responsibility."

New IDF chief a firm believer in technology

By
JOSHUA BRILLIANT

TEL AVIV (JPFS) —

The new chief of Israel's general staff, Lt.-Gen. Dan Shomron, who was sworn in last week succeeding Lt.-Gen. Moshe Levy, believes the Israel Defence Force drains too much of the state's financial resources and that "more of the same" is out of the question.

Instead of putting so much emphasis on massing weapons and ammunition to decide the land battle, Israel should stress quality, using its considerable potential, which, he claims, hasn't been tapped.

Major-Gen. Avraham Rotem, who is close to Shomron, believes that if the new CGS has his way, IDF soldiers won't be required to risk their lives as much as in the past.

There will be fewer commendations of honor for soldiers charging the enemy. But the army's power will be far more devastating.

The technological innovations of the past 10 years have already led to significant changes in land battles.

Data processing and miniaturization facilitate changes in command and control systems. Intelligence aids, such as thermal-imaging systems, can overcome problems of visibility and, if relayed from drones hovering over enemy territory, can provide pictures instantaneously. Precision-guided munitions make it possible to hit targets thus discovered, even if they are well beyond the horizon.

Some of these developments have already been incorporated in the IDF.

Shomron has been following these changes and outlining the characteristics of new weapons he would like to have.

For years he has been visiting defence-related industries, conferring with scientists and "everybody who can translate his ideas into weapon systems which could be used by a small and intelligent army," said Maj.-Gen. Moshe Peled, manager of one of Koor's companies.

"The new CGS represents a school which believes that technology has matured and that the land forces can now be revolutionized the way the navy and the air force were several years ago," Rotem said.

Whether Sharon translates his ideas into reality will depend on several factors.

One point to his advantage appears to be the political-strategic situation. Shomron does not have to administer "therapy" to an army just emerging from a major war.

A new round also does not seem imminent.

Even if the Iran-Iraq war ends, Baghdad will require a long time to recover. Syria has been pulling back from its ambition to achieve strategic parity with Israel. Jordan is considered unlikely to start a conflagration, and Egypt is committed to the peace agreement.

Shomron can therefore devote time and resources to long-term projects.

Within the defence establishment, he can count on the support of Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who selected him. And Generals Ehud Barak, Yossi Peled, Amnon Lipkin and Uri Saguy are believed to be close to him.

The cost of modernizing the army will also be an important factor since the new systems are extremely expensive.

Shomron's personality, his persuasiveness, will be of prime importance. His record will serve him well.

He earned respect as commander of the Entebbe operation in 1976 and later as head of an Armored Corps division. He was head of Southern Command, head of the Ground Forces Command, and deputy chief of general staff.

Opinion

Shamir errs on issue of "refugee status"

By
J. B. SALSBERG

In our personal, as in our social and public life, we may experience moments that warm our hearts and that leave memories we love to recall. On the other hand, there are times we would like to erase from our memory.

J. B. Salsberg

For the last few weeks I have tried, though without success, to erase a shocking experience from my mind. It lingers on and it recurs with disturbing frequency. It was all triggered by the news that during his recent official visit to the U.S., Israel's Prime Minister, Yitzhak Shamir, asked Washington to deny "refugee status" to those Soviet Jews who "switch" mid-way on their flight from Russia to Israel and come knocking at U.S. doors for admission as refugees.

I felt, when first reading of Shamir's request, that he committed an unpardonable sin and I still think so. Indeed, Shamir's request clings like some chemical smog that embraces us all and refuses to lift and disappear. It is a memory that is haunting me.

I confess that Shamir's request of the American government shamed me beyond description even though I share his basic concern with the humiliating and dangerous development caused by the large scale switching of destination that many Soviet Jews engaged in.

As I see it, no matter how unpleasant, how potentially harmful to the larger task of gaining the right for Soviet Jews to emigrate, no head of an Israeli government has the moral right to ask a foreign country to deny Jewish emigres the right to chose their destination.

Of course the cynical switching and their rejection of Israel — whose visa they carry in their passports — is morally wrong, especially since the right to leave Israel is never even under question. But it is one thing to be disturbed and pained by the mid-way switching practice, a phenomenon that calls for educational and reasonable persuasion before the "exodus" flight begins, but it is an entirely different thing for the head of the Jewish state to ask a friendly state to discriminate against Jews when they, for even selfish reasons, ask for admission.

I'm sorry, my dear readers, but it doesn't seem right to me. It just doesn't square with our vision of the role of a Jewish state. (It also smacks of underhanded dealings.)

There is another disturbing aspect to Shamir's behind-the-scenes request in Washington. It can be interpreted as if it were an attempt to force unwilling Jews to immigrate to Israel. I say this though I'm fully aware of the very specific circumstances that made the switchers exodus possible in the first place and the harm that switching may do to those Soviet Jews who are still struggling for the right to leave and to reach Israel. Nevertheless, it must be apparent that forced immigrants will not benefit Israel . . . they can only become a liability.

What are the basic problems in the area of Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union? In a nutshell they are as follows:

• The Soviet Union does not allow emigration of any kind. Because of worldwide pressure and because of the specific Russian-U.S. relations, an exception was made a few years back to allow limited numbers of Soviet Jews to leave: (1) to emigrate to their "homeland, Israel," or (2) to unite families. Even with such "exceptional concessions" it was and is still extremely difficult for Jews to leave.

• Except for the tiny trickle of family-reunion cases, Soviet Jews allowed to leave **must have an Israeli visa to do so.** Otherwise they aren't allowed out. (Since the rupture of USSR-Israeli diplomatic relations during the Six-Day War, the Dutch embassy in Moscow handles the Israeli immigration and other matters.)

• All costs involved are, of course, met by Israel.

• In the absence of diplomatic relations Israeli passenger planes cannot land in Moscow to fly the Jewish emigrants to Israel. Until recently such emigrants flew to Vienna and from there El Al would fly them to Israel. Unfortunately many switched in Vienna and chose to fly to Rome or elsewhere where they applied for admission to the U.S. or other countries as refugees.

• That this phenomenon shocked most Jews around the world goes without saying. The arrival of such "refugees" in the U.S., Canada and elsewhere did, of course, create moral and social issues. However, in all countries of their choice Russian Jews were accepted as legitimate immigrants and given all assistance that those communities give and have always given to the new arrivals. This is to the credit of all those Jewish communities. They could not and did not try to evade their moral and traditional obligations. Indeed, they all went out of their way to integrate the newcomers.

• People who have the freedom and opportunity to settle in Israel but do not choose to do so for whatever reason, cannot, in good conscience, object to other Jews (in this case Russian Jews) doing what they are doing themselves.

Does all this raise monumental Jewish questions for all of us? It most certainly does and we must approach them rationally and objectively. No Canadian Jews can raise a moral question of the recently arrived Soviet Jews. In the light of the great expectation of "the ingathering of the dispersed" there is much sober thinking to be done. But no one, not even the Prime Minister of Israel, has the moral right to force Russian Jews to go to Israel and especially not with the aid of non-Jewish governments.

Oy . . . it is not easy to be a Jew!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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CALLS BURAK "CLOCK-BUILDER"

Of Rabbi Moses Burak's wisdom, there is no end.

Ask him for the time of day, and not only will he tell you how to build a clock, but also what our sages did to pass the hours.

For an example, regard his April 9 column, where he settles the vexing question of whose in-laws have the honor of entertaining the newlyweds at the Passover seder.

I eagerly await your every issue to see what Rabbi Burak has gleaned from the rabbinic writings of the past.

If what he contributes to your pages deserves to be called "Living Halacha," I can only wonder what is meant by "the dead letter of the law."

S. L. Powerance
State College, Penn.

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CALLS KIRSHNER LEFT-WINGER

What will it take to convince Sheldon Kirshner that The CJN is a community newspaper and not the exclusive property of ultra-left, Mapam types?

Kirshner's articles on some topics are excellent, but many Jews object to his strong, consistent left-wing bias and his penchant for sycophantic articles on Israeli leftists to the virtual exclusion of other ideologies.

There is an enormous body of factual evidence which proves Kirshner's theories about Jewish-Arab and Jewish-PLO relations (usually mouthed by another leftist to Kirshner's obvious approval) to be naive and dangerous nonsense.

Yet "Mideast Analysis" readers will never see this evidence.

Those who can provide the evidence lack an effective forum for expressing alternate and opposing ideologies.

This is undemocratic and unfair.

Chaim Haberman
Toronto

Sheldon Kirshner replies: What will it take to convince Chaim Haberman that The CJN is a forum for diverse opinions, a function the newspaper consistently fulfils.

I take strong exception to his remark that some of my articles are slanted or sycophantic. They are not. And if he knew anything about Israeli politics, he would not mouth the nonsense that Mapam is an "ultra-left" party, but a party that was a member of the government for many years until Likud's victory at the polls a decade ago.

Finally, I would like to point out that his ideas about Arab-Jewish and Jewish-PLO relations are less than informed and indeed retrogressive.

SINGS PALM SPRINGS BLUES

A hearty "Well done!" to Sam Lifshitz for his recent CJN travel piece about Palm Springs.

I'd like to mention that Palm Springs has its plus and minus aspects:

One: When the sun disappears behind the mountains at about 4 p.m., the temperature drops a whopping 30 degrees.

Two: Only two miles outside Palm Springs, thousands of windmills create many megawatts of cheap electricity. And yet virtually all the streets are deprived of lights, all active life ceases, and one may as well go to bed or watch the box.

Jack Starkman
Toronto

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TROTSKY AND HIS LEGACY

The news that a great-great-grandson of Leon Trotsky has been born in Israel is a fascinating piece of information, when one bears in mind that it is the Trotskyites who have been leading the hue and cry against Israel the world over. Vanessa Redgrave is only one of many of them.

Leon Trotsky

One correction, however, of misinformation that must have come in with the JTA account in The CJN: Leon Trotsky was assassinated on Aug. 21, 1940, and not 10 months later, on June 22, 1941, the day Germany attacked the USSR.

It would be interesting, incidentally, if The CJN could obtain an account with further detail: How David Sedov (or Axelrod, as the despatch calls him) came to the U.S. and how, and why he moved to Israel and became a *baal t'shuva*.

Ben Kayfetz
Toronto

Editor's note: You're right. Lev Davidovich Bronstein, better known as Leon Trotsky, was murdered in Mexico City on Aug. 21, 1940, by a "friend" who is generally assumed to have been an agent of Stalin. The son of a Jewish farmer in Ivanovka, Ukraine, he was a brilliant mathematics student at Odessa University who quit his studies to become a revolutionary Communist and ultimately a founder of the Soviet Union.

He had an ambivalent attitude toward his Judaism. Convinced that there was no future for the Jews as a separate entity, he favored their assimilation. When Lenin, after the Communist victory of Nov. 7, 1917, proposed to put him at the head of the government, the Jewish radical refused. In his own words, he mentioned "among other arguments, the national aspect: Would it be wise to give into the hands of the enemies such an additional weapon as my being Jewish?"

Later, when he broke with Stalin, he was shocked by the anti-semitism that pervaded the USSR. But even in his exile, he continued to believe that international socialism, and not a Jewish homeland in Palestine was the only means of emancipating Jews. He told the New York Jewish Daily Forward in a 1937 interview: "The longer the rotten bourgeois society lives, the more and more barbaric will anti-semitism become everywhere."

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CALLS PLAUT'S JUSTICE FLAWED

Re Rabbi Gunther Plaut's April 2 column headed "Deschenes report allays some fears":

I am disturbed by Plaut's expressed interest in the fate of suspected war criminals.

His past experience in dealing with them, as described in his recent autobiography, demonstrates a flawed sense of justice.

He tells how, as an officer in the U.S. Army at the end of World War II, he returns to his old home town in Germany to avenge the suspected beating and deportation to the death camps of his old aunt and uncle.

He takes with him some of the soldiers in his command, and determined to get some names, he holds an impromptu "court martial" of the old burghermaster.

The old man denied there had been any beatings. So Rabbi Plaut signaled to one of his armed men, who "cocked his sub-machine gun and poked the old man in the ribs."

He was told he might save his life if his memory improved and the sub-machine gun was poked a little harder. It did not take too long for the terrified old man to come up with some names.

Two men in their 60s were produced, but they, too, denied the accusations, till after some of the sub-machine gun treatment!

Apparently satisfied that justice had been done, the rabbi delivered the luckless pair to the authorities, *identified them as war criminals*, and he never ever inquired of their subsequent fate.

He relates this episode with such satisfaction, it is clear that, even 40 years later, he cannot distinguish between a voluntary confession and a statement given under threat of death. Of added significance, his old uncle and aunt, who were in their 70s when they were first sent to the camps, survived the war and returned for a triumphant visit to their old hometown.

Dorothy Calder
Hamilton, Ont.

BRAVO TO BASKIN

Iwish to compliment Rabbi Bernard Baskin for his illuminating articles and reviews. I enjoy reading them.

I particularly appreciated his April 9 column on Moses.

Ita Rotenberg
Toronto

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CALLS RASKY PLAY DOCTOR

I had occasion to read belatedly here in Jerusalem Frank Rasky's March 12 review of my play *Einstein*, which was performed at the Leah Posluns Theatre, and headed "Einstein penetrating portrait of gentle Jewish genius."

While I gather he enjoyed the production — for he gave away all of my funny lines to your readers — he was nevertheless disappointed that I had not elected to conclude the play in the manner that he assures would have been most appropriate.

So disappointed, in fact, was your man Rasky that he even took it upon himself to supply the *right* words for the *best* ending.

While I have as of yet stubbornly resisted rectifying this particular creative deficiency, it is comforting to know that, in the future, I may be able to turn to the talented staff of The Canadian Jewish News when that old inspiration goes a lacking.

Until such time, however, I hope that Mr. Rasky will spare me his bill. Royalties are so low as they are.

Gabriel Emanuel
Jerusalem

Frank Rasky replies: Mr. Emanuel seems to be suffering from an acute case of the super-possessive. He claims, with a perfectly straight face, that I gave away what he calls "all of my funny lines." He seems to have forgotten that his script, which I called "well-researched," is advertised as being based entirely on the memoirs and collected speeches of Einstein. Therefore, he should have referred to those funny lines as being the funny lines uttered by the Nobel Prize-winning scientist, Albert Einstein, and not by the assiduous Winnipeg-born researcher, Gabriel Emanuel.

In a like vein, my chief criticism of the play's ending had nothing to do with Mr. Emanuel's "old inspiration," and whether it had gone alacking. I disagreed with his quotation of Einstein's all-too-familiar warning, "God does not play dice with the universe and neither should we."

Exercising my own research, based on my reading of Einstein's memoirs, I simply suggested that the play might have made a stronger statement by citing his lesser-known lament: "In the hands of our generations, these hard-won achievements of science are like a razor wielded by a child of three."

Mr. Emanuel needn't share his sparse royalties with me. I trust, however, he has given some kind of compensation to the estate of Albert Einstein, who was, after all, the actual source of any inspired lines to be found in Mr. Emanuel's compilation of anecdotes about the great man.

World-National

Ross won't be prosecuted

New Brunswick govt. criticized

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would do better at the polls by not prosecuting someone who claimed he based his views on Christian teaching. Israeli categorized the province as "racist" and said it never hires Jews to positions in the civil service.

(When contacted by CBC Radio, the chairman of the Civil Service Commission could not identify any Jews in the organization.)

Cohen dismissed Israeli's claims that New Brunswick is racist, though he speculated the province's political leadership may have feared that to prosecute would appear as if it were responding to a Jewish lobby and that there was no political gain to be made by charging Ross.

He said it appeared right from the start that the internal debate in the government was how to avoid prosecuting Ross, not to determine whether there were sufficient grounds to do so.

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The Federal Court of Appeal ruled last week that freedom of speech guarantees in the Charter of Rights do not protect the right to communicate hate messages over the telephone.

The appeal court upheld a lower court decision that found John Ross Taylor, head of the white-supremacist Western Guard Party, guilty of contempt of court and sentenced him to one year in jail. Ross had ignored an order of the Canadian Human Rights Commission to stop using the telephone lines to communicate anti-semitic messages. Last week's ruling said a decision must now be made whether to impose the sentence.

Taylor had argued the section of the Canadian Human Rights Act that prohibits discrimination violated Charter rights to free expression. He also argued that the trial judge erred in failing to consider the party's desire to communicate the truth.

The appeal court ruled that the limit on freedom of expression is justifiable in a free and democratic society. It also rejected the argument about truth, saying it was unreasonable to conclude the messages aimed at communicating truth.

"Their purpose was plainly to communicate that which had been enjoined by the cease and desist order: a message likely to expose Jews to hatred or contempt."

U.S. Jews "decisive factor"

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Jordanian ambassador to the United States says that the American Jewish community is a decisive factor in the Middle East peace process, with the ability either to realize an international Middle East conference, and thus "make a great contribution to achieving a just and lasting peace in the Middle East," or to prevent this from occurring.

Mohamed Kamal, writing in an editorial which appeared simultaneously in the Washington Post and Jerusalem Post, says that he is very impressed by the "dedication to justice and peace" of prominent American Jews and that he believes that they, "backed by the great power of American national support," not only can provide Israel with reassurance but also serve "the good of their country."

The combination of the two forces — the U.S. and the American Jewish community — which together Kamal credits with developing Israel into "the major regional power it is today," is the only means by which "Israel will realize that its real security lies not in an isolated existence but in peaceful co-existence with its neighbors in the region."

Israel, Kamal says, "cannot continue to be imposed on the region" but "must be accepted by the Arabs," through peace prospects that depend on three principles: "that the occupation of land and hegemony over people by force is inadmissible;" "that peace can only be negotiated with the participation of all parties" to the conflict, including the Palestinians; and "that every country in the region, including Israel, must be guaranteed the security of its sovereign existence."

Kamal writes that American Jewish commitment to Israel "needs no explanation." But the ability of American Jews to extend this commitment to the entire American people, he says, merits examination, for it is this which "holds a key to peace in the Middle East."

Kamal blames the pro-Israel lobby in Congress for denying American support to any country perceived as Israel's enemy, including countries with longstanding friendly ties with America, such as Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

Israelis can take up to $2,000 out

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Israelis traveling abroad are now permitted to take an official foreign currency allowance of $2,000 per person, up from $800.

This was one of a series of changes in foreign currency regulations, most of them liberalizations, announced last week by the Bank of Israel and the Treasury.

Restrictions on foreign currency followed the balance-of-payments problems of 1983 and 1984, but foreign currency reserves are now at a record high of $4.3 billion. The increased travel allowance is expected to have little impact on the reserves.

Israelis on the average take $400 when they go abroad. But because of the 17% levy on foreign currency purchases, most travelers buy on the black market or take funds "out of the mattress."

Finance Ministry Director-General Emmanual Sharon said the stringent restrictions on foreign currency had come under fire from foreign and local businessmen.

In modern economics there is little room for such limitations, he said, and the new steps will "oil the wheels of international business."

Travelers open hearts, wallets

TEL AVIV (JPFS) — Passengers aboard a jumbo jet collected $72,000 (U.S.) during a recent El Al flight to London to help pay the costs of a liver transplant for a 4-year-old girl who was on the plane.

Moran Kadosh contracted hepatitis last month and appeared to be responding to treatment. Complications set in and doctors at Sheba Hospital decided that she urgently needed a transplant.

Arrangements were made with Kings College Hospital in London to admit the child for immediate tests.

Horan's father, Zion, 29, is a printer of modest means. Philanthropist Abie Nathan contributed two air tickets for Moran and her mother Tova, and a public appeal was launched to collect $100,000 for the operation.

When passengers discovered that the child was on their flight they began an immediate collection. People in the upper (first class) deck also heard about the campaign, and by the time the plane touched down at Heathrow, some $72,000 had been raised.

One passenger said: "Even little kids were giving their last bit of pocket money. It was an amazing experience to be part of such a thing. We all hope some good will come of it."

Bank Leumi sues Japhet over pay

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Bank Leumi is suing its former chairman and chief executive officer, Ernest Japhet, to return the $4 million severance pay he received when he was forced to resign almost a year ago.

Two prominent lawyers representing the bank, Haim Zadok and Michael Heshin, filed suit in Tel Aviv district court, arguing that the sum paid Japhet was the result of a private deal he made with one or two of the bank directors without the knowledge of senior board members, and therefore illegal.

Japhet, who is living in New York, has not replied to the suit. But he has let it be known he intends to fight it and will insist that the bank pay his legal expenses.

The suit also demands that Japhet repay the $30,000 monthly pension money he received up to the time payment was stopped by a new directorate that took office at Bank Leumi late last year. The court was asked to fix a reasonable sum for severance and pension for the former bank executive.

Japhet was forced to step down after a state commission of inquiry found him and the heads of four of the other largest banks culpable in the bank shares scandal which precipitated a financial panic in 1983. The heads of the banks were held responsible for inflating the price of shares to mislead investors, resulting in severe financial losses for thousands of shareholders when bank stocks collapsed.

The disclosure of the amount of severance and pension money awarded Japhet led to the resignation of the Bank Leumi board last year.

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2. All members of the Jewish National Fund of Canada (Keren Kayemeth Le'Israel) Inc., are invited to submit nominations for directors and/or officers whose term of office is due to expire. Such nominations should be addressed to:
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For the information of members and friends of the Zionist Organization of Canada, the following list names the nominees for delegates, alternates and observers on the Zionist Organization of Canada Slate #9, for the 31st World Zionist Congress.

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Will promote peace prospects, they say

PLO supporters in territories praise meeting

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might now persuade Jordan and Egypt that "the PLO cannot be a partner to negotiations."

He concluded that Arafat's decision to prefer PLO unity to moderation "could hasten the peace process rather than delay it."

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Prominent PLO supporters in the occupied territories said that the PNC meeting would promote Middle East peace prospects rather than harm them. They rejected Israeli assessments that Yasser Arafat's renewed alliance with PLO radicals, and his abrogation of his 1985 pact with King Hussein, would damage peace prospects.

PLO unity would make the organization a more effective and credible negotiating partner, they said.

Al Fajr editor Hanna Siniora said abrogation of the Jordan-PLO agreement was the price paid to promote Syrian participation in the peace process. Syria has consistently demanded the nullification of the accord.

Siniora said cancelation of the pact, the PNC's maintenance of ties with Egypt, and the unification of its factions could lead to a meeting of Arab heads of state and "encourage more than anything else the holding of an international conference."

Yehuda Litani, the Middle East analyst of The Jerusalem Post, says the Arab world now seems ready to embark on a peace process without the PLO. This, he claims, is the main upshot of the PNC meeting, during which the moderate and radical wings of the PLO reunited.

In exchange for the reconciliation, the PLO abrogated its agreement with Jordan to seek a joint settlement of the Middle East conflict and broke off relations with Egypt.

The conference thus seems to open the way for Egypt and Jordan, and perhaps also Syria, to act in concert in this direction.

The understanding that developed between Fatah and the radical organizations of George Habash and Nayif Hawatameh were initiated by, and received the full blessing of, the Soviet Union, Syria's principal ally.

The final agreement by the Palestinian leaders to bury their differences runs entirely counter to President Assad's express wishes.

Richard Murphy, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, admitted that the PLO's repudiation of its accord with Jordan may be a "diversion" from negotiations.

"It (the repudiation) does nothing to get the negotiations started," Murphy said in testimony before the House foreign affairs committee. "It may prove to be a diversion in getting the Palestinians to the table in a joint Jordanian-Palestinian conference."

He added, "We don't think the peace process should become hostage to internal politics of the PLO and we will continue our efforts to give a hand to people in the region who are suffering from a lack of progress in the peace process."

Meanwhile, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin has linked recent katyusha rocket attacks on Galilee and the attempted infiltration of Israel recently by a 3-man terrorist gang to the PNC meeting.

He indicated that the Israel Defence Force would set up operations to stop the upsurge of terrorist activity against Israel and the security zone in south Lebanon.

The minister maintained that the recent shelling, as well as the infiltration, were the work of Palestinian terrorists, led by Arafat's mainstream Fatah organization.

The attacks had been timed to coincide with the Palestinian National Council meeting in Algiers, said Rabin.

"We have witnessed in the past 10 days an attempt by the PLO terrorist organization to increase their activities against targets in Israel," he said.

"Instructions were issued by Arafat and other terrorist groups to carry out atrocities against innocent civilians by infiltrating from Lebanon and firing katyusha rockets. In addition, the population in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip was instructed to attack Jewish targets in the territories and in Israel.

"We are determined to foil this, even if it will mean increased activities by the IDF."

Rabin noted that the attacks inside the security zone were the work of Shiite extremists from the fanatical Hizbullah (Party of God) and Amal organizations.

Soon after he made his remarks, an Israeli army unit repulsed an attempt by guerrillas to infiltrate the security zone. Earlier, Israeli helicopters attacked guerrilla targets south of Sidon. An army spokesman said buildings there served as terrorist headquarters.

Israel seeking to buy reactor

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Israel has asked West Germany to sell it a nuclear-power reactor and has proposed setting it up in an "extra-territorial" enclave in the Negev, near Shivta, in order to bypass the major political obstacle to the transaction.

Bonn, for its part, is "essentially willing" to carry out such a sale, visiting West German Minister of Research and Technology Heinz Riesenhuber said last week, after protracted talks with Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Science and Technology Minister Gideon Patt in Jerusalem. Riesenhuber was speaking at a luncheon hosted by Patt, which was attended by Israeli and German officials and journalists.

Peres proposed to Riesenhuber that the plant be placed in an "extra-territorial" enclave over which there would be some sort of joint Israeli-West German, or international, jurisdiction and control.

The extra-territorial idea was apparently first proposed by Israel in negotiations in the early 1980s with the United States for purchasing an American reactor. It is meant to overcome the problem posed by Israel not signing the nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

International law circles in Jerusalem called the extra-territorial proposal "nonsense."

The United States and apparently France both raised the non-proliferation objection when Israel approached them about purchasing a nuclear plant. Being a non-signatory to the treaty means that there is no obligation on Israel to submit to, and no mechanism for, international supervision of the use of such a plant.

Signatories to the non-proliferation treaty agree to international inspection of their nuclear facilities and, ultimately, to control of their use by the United Nations Security Council.

Israel has proposed signing a regional, Middle Eastern "nuclear free zone" treaty which would exclude international or outside inspection and controls. But such a treaty would provide for mutually-agreed inspection of nuclear sites by the signatories.

Riesenhuber and Patt said that Israeli-West German talks regarding the purchase of the reactor "would be continued."

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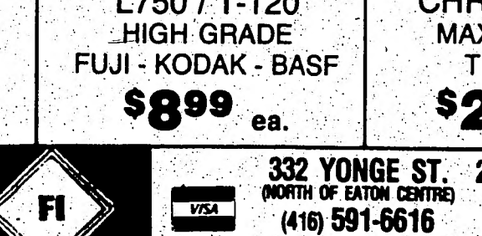

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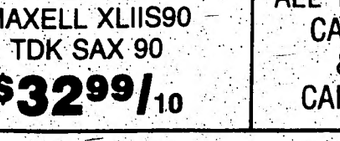

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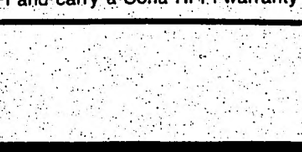

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Tickets, $7, available at the door, include music, open dairy buffet, prizes galore, plus a door prize courtesy of Act II.

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Proceeds are for children's nurseries in Israel.

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For tickets, $2 per person, contact the Bernard Betel Centre, 225-2112, or they may be purchased at the mall.

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Adath Sholom Synagogue Sisterhood, 864 Sheppard Ave. W., welcomes the community to a special Sabbath service with a double purpose, a Mother's Day celebration conducted by the youth of the synagogue, and the observance of Israel's Independence Day, at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 2.

KIDSTUFF BAZAAR

Centennial Infant and Child Centre, for children who are developmentally delayed, welcomes you to Kidstuff Bazaar, featuring new and used toys, children's clothing and accessories, as well as a Bake Sale, 9.30 a.m.-noon, May 2.

This takes place in St. George's United Church, 35 Lytton Blvd. (Duplex Ave. entrance).

Sunday, May 3

ISRAEL REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

The Canadian Zionist Federation in association with Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, invites the community to participate in a Remembrance Service to commemorate and honor those who died in the wars of Israel. This will be held at 6.45 p.m., Sunday, May 3 in Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

The service will be conducted in the presence of **Benjamin Abileah**, consul-general of Israel, as well as leading community and government dignitaries. Keynote speaker is **Simcha Dinitz**, former Israeli ambassador to the United States. **Rabbi Henry Hoschander** and **Cantor Harold Klein** will officiate with the Shaarei Shomayim Youth Choir contributing.

CHRISTIAN HOLOCAUST SERVICE

To Ignore is to Deny, will be the theme of the 7th annual Christian Service in Memory of the Holocaust, with **Reverend Bruce McLeod**, 4 p.m. in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 70 Simcoe St. (corner of King).

For more information phone Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto, 364-3101.

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Admission is $6. Call **Ephraim Dloomy**, 631-7546 or **Aharon Dahary, 226-9208.**

On May 5 at 7.30 p.m., Aluma plans a Bingo Evening in the Fireside Lounge of the Wagman Centre.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ISRAEL

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To inquire further call 665-7935.

Monday, May 4

STREETPROOFING

Bring a friend and come to Club Zemora Na'amat Pioneer Women's meeting on Streetproofing, with information to be given by the Thornhill Police Department, 8.15 p.m., Monday, May 4.

The club looks forward to seeing you at this interesting gathering.

For further details call the PW office, 636-5425.

INDEPENDENCE DAY AT BETH AM

Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., begin at 8 p.m., Monday, May 4, with Israeli singer **Ettelle Aloni** accompanied by **Bill Berle**. Israeli food will be served.

Admission is $2 per person.

For more information call the synagogue office, 633-5500.

Tuesday, May 5

T'NACH STUDY GROUP

Toronto Jewish Congress Cultural Council is sponsoring an ongoing T'nach Study Group 8.15 Tuesday, May 5 at Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St.

The group, led by **Joseph Shier**, continues with Zechariah, Chapters IX, X and XI.

FASHION SHOW AND BOUTIQUE

Spring into Summer, with styles by Gerry Goldblum Fashions, Gerry G. Fashions, Beachwear Unlimited and Little Women, at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Sisterhood's annual Fashion Show and Boutique, 55 Yeomans Rd., Tuesday, May 5.

Boutiques are open at 6.30 p.m., showtime is 8.

Admission at the door, including refreshments, is $12. Door prizes will be awarded.

BRANSON FASHION SHOW

North York Branson Hospital, 555 Finch Ave. W., presents Just For You Fashions, in the auditorium, 7.30 p.m. Tuesday, May 5.

Tickets are available at the volunteer office, or call **Doreen**, 221-8489.

Wednesday, May 6

POMEGRANATE GUILD

The Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlework seeks to encourage and inspire the creation, documentation and preservation of authentic Jewish fabric artifacts for use in connection with Jewish ceremonies and life cycle events.

The meeting on May 6 will focus on the group's Succah project. Members are handworking a variety of objects toward the completion of an innovative hand-made Succah.

New members are invited to join and participate. Membership is $25 annually. Non-members are welcome for a nominal fee of $2.

Coffee is served.

Meetings are held at 8 p.m. in Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St. (unless otherwise specified),

For information call **Faigy Grossman**, 656-5680 or **Sybil Geller**, 483-9904.

BENJAMIN INSTITUTE

A Death in the Family: Crisis, Response and Healing, a program under the auspices of the Benjamin Institute for Community Education and Referral, Wednesday, May 6, examines the effects of a death on each individual family member, on the marriage, and on the family as a whole. Speaker is to be social worker **Rheba Adolph**, member, professional advisory committee, Bereaved Families of Ontario.

All programs are held at Toronto Zionist Council, 788 Marlee Ave. (south of Lawrence), 8-10 p.m. Lecture presentations are followed by discussion and refreshments.

ILEITIS AND COLITIS

Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, Peel Chapter, invites you to attend an educational seminar, Latest Developments in Clinical Research on Inflammatory Bowel Disease, 7.45 p.m., Wednesday May 6 in the auditorium of Mississauga Hospital, 100 Queensway W.

Speaker will be **Dr. Jan Irvine**.

This is a promising program for all concerned. Don't miss it!

FINANCIAL PLANNING

An overview of financial planning for capital growth will be given by an investment expert, 7.30-9 p.m., Wednesday, May 6 at Don Mills Regional Library, 888 Lawrence Ave. W., (west of Don Mills Rd.) This is free.

To inquire further phone 495-3436.

FIELD TRIP

Grade 7 students at United Synagogue Day School Junior High went on a recent trip to Albion Hills Field Centre. From left to right: Jillian Merrick, Alanna Stevens, Adi Cohen.

AND WHAT ELSE IS NEW...

JF & CS WORKSHOP

Surviving Separation, a 6-session workshop organized by Jewish Family & Child Service, starts 7.30-9.30 p.m. Wednesday, May 6 at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St., 6th floor.

Topics will include: coping with change, sharing concerns, how to make new friends, and new ways to deal with singlehood.

Cost is $35 per person. Scholarships are available.

For more details, call 638-7800, ext. 283 or 290.

ISRAEL AND SOUTH AFRICA

Outstanding guest **Steven Spiegel** will address the May 9th Shabbat Study Luncheon at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, examining the controversial subject, Israel and South Africa.

A professor in the department of political science at UCLA, Spiegel has written articles for such publications as The Jerusalem Post, The New Republic, Foreign Affairs and The New York Times. He is also the author of several books, among them The Other Arab-Israel Conflict.

The luncheon takes place at noon, following services.

Paid reservations, $5.75 for adults, $3, children under 12, should be made no later than Wednesday, May 6. Visa is accepted. Unpaid reservations cannot be accommodated.

SHAAREH HAIM HEBREW SCHOOL

Shaareh Haim Hebrew School in Richmond Hill is now accepting registration for classes beginning in September at Roselawn Public School, Carrville Rd. Space is available for children from junior kindergarten to grade 8.

To be eligible for junior kindergarten, a child must have been born in 1983.

Shaareh Haim is a supplementary Hebrew School affiliated with the Toronto Board of Jewish Education. All of the teachers are certified in Hebrew and Jewish studies.

For further information call 884-8400 or 884-3353.

VOLUNTEER FOR BAYCREST

Volunteers are needed to help in Baycrest Centre's new W.A. Cafe located in Garden Court. On-the-job training is offered. Shifts are available. Hours are Monday to Friday, 8 a.m.-noon, or noon-4 p.m.

Have fun with summer outings. Join a crew of creative volunteers who assist patients, residents and members to various sites in Toronto — the Ontario Science Centre, Harbourfront, picnics, etc. Choose a day which is convenient for you, Monday to Thursday, full or half days.

Please call Volunteer Services, 789-5131, ext. 2572, if you can help in any way.

APPLAUSE AT POSLUNS THEATRE

Applause, a bright musical about the business of show business, opens May 7 at the Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St. Previews are May 4, 5 and 6.

Based on the film All About Eve, the musical's book is by **Betty Comden** and **Adolph Green**, with music by **Charles Strouse** and lyrics by **Lee Adams**.

Tickets prices are $8 for seniors and range from $10-$15 for other adults. Group sales packages are available.

To inquire further, contact the Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St., North York, Ont. M2R 1W6, phone 636-2720.

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Jewish Genealogical Society will meet at 6.30 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, in the lobby of the Robarts Library, 130 St. George St., to tour the Judaica section.

For more information call **Rayzel**, 736-5178.

FINANCIAL PLANNING FOR WOMEN

The Women's Committee of the United Jewish Welfare Fund Endowment Fund, Toronto Jewish

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SHABBAT TREATS

United Synagogue Day School students at the Bathurst campus nursery recently baked delicious Shabbat treats with the help of parent volunteer and expert cook Shalom Schacter. From left: Jonathan Schacter, Shalom Schacter, Mira Shuman, Julia Giddens and Eugene Weis.

Organizations and People

What's New

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Congress, presents a seminar on Specific Aspects of Financial Planning as They Pertain to Women, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, May 14 in the 4th floor conference centre of the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St.

Speakers will be lawyer **Esther Kenkinski**, chartered accountant **Charlotte Haber**, investment counselor **Miriam Varadi**, lawyer **Donald Carr**.

Fee is $18 per person, including lunch.

RSVP to 635-2883, ext. 138.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Do you enjoy good books? Do you like sharing them with others? Then join a book discussion group which meets with a trained leader on alternate Fridays, May 1-29, from 1.30 until 3 p.m. at Don Mills Regional Library, 888 Lawrence Ave. E. (west of Don Mills Rd.).

This is free, but please pre-register.

For additional information phone 495-3436.

ISRAEL TOURS

Akiva Tours (El Al Israel Airlines) invites you to a program on touring in Israel "the traditional way", to be held in Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St., at noon, Sunday, May 10.

Participants will include **Rabbi Moshe Stern, Cantor Haim Weiner** and **Ephraim Sapir.**

Details will be provided on Jewish-oriented tours and glatt kosher hotels.

Refreshments will be served.

Come and bring your family to learn more about these trips.

ONTARIO CRAFTS COUNCIL

Ontario Crafts Council announces the following exhibitions: Craft Gallery, 346 Dundas St. W., May 7-31, glassworks by **Ruth Thiessen**; Guild Shop, 140 Cumberland St., through May, baskets by **Melinda Mayall,** quilts by **Margaret Stephenson Coole** and Inuit works from Baker Lake.

ART IN THE LIBRARIES

North York Public Library has mounted exhibitions in several of its regional facilities, to be on view throughout the month of May.

Asher Sadeh has shown his painting and photography in New York, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Toronto. His work may be seen at Fairview Library, 35 Fairview Mall Dr., just east of Don Mills Rd.

The **Society of Estonian Artists in Toronto,** which has exhibited in Canada, the U.S. and Sweden, is represented at Don Mills Library, 888 Lawrence Ave. E., just west of Don Mills Rd.

Hong Kong-born **Karen Yung-Tuen Ip's** landscapes are on view at Brookbanks Library, 210 Brookbanks Dr., just south of York Mills Rd.

Works by **Alan Miller**, winner of a First award for black and white photography at the Toronto City Hall Outdoor Art Show, are at Bathurst Heights Library, 3170 Bathurst St., north of Lawrence Ave.

Arthur Gryfe's wildlife photos are displayed at Yorkdale Library, in Yorkdale Mall. A trip to the Canadian Arctic a few years ago piqued his interest in nature photography.

Vivid interpretations of urban life are seen in paintings by **Anne Bellamy** at Hillcrest Library, 5801 Leslie St., just north of Finch Ave.

Johanna Van Kempen, who works in watercolors and oils to express the beauties of nature and Canada, is showcased at Pleasant View Library, 575 Van Horne Ave., just west of Victoria Park.

JF&CS WORKSHOPS

The Myth of the Perfect Stepmother will be explored at a 6-session series sponsored by Jewish Family & Child Service, which looks at the reality of dealing with guilt, resentment, discipline and what step-mothers expect from themselves and their new family.

Beginning Tuesday, May 5, 7.30-9 p.m. in Holy Blossom Temple, Room 314, the series costs $35 per person.

Widowed to Widowed, is a workshop which includes coping with grief, living alone, changing relationships and meeting new people.

It is also a 6-session series, starting 7.30-9.30 p.m., Wednesday, May 6 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, cost $35 per person.

Scholarships are available for both groups.

Call 638-7800, ext. 283 or 290 for more information.

for seniors

Association of Jewish Seniors invites you to attend its Continuing Education Series offered in cooperation with North York Board of Education.

Here are two courses offered Wednesday mornings 9.45-11.45 a.m. May 13-July 15 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. Aging, a New Look, with instructor **Harriet Sharkey**, helps to identify the positive aspects of age and explains how the image of aging has changed. Nutrition, led by instructor **Judy Johnson**, explains how what you eat affects your health.

Fee for each course is $20, seniors 65 plus, no charge. Refreshments served, $4. Preregistration is required. Contact the Association of Jewish Seniors, 530 Wilson Ave., 3rd Floor, North York M3H 1T6, **Jennie Gilbert**, 635-2860.

Reserve now for the **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus Fifty** luncheon with entertainment by singer **Sharon Smith** and accompanist **John Herberman**, 12.30 p.m. Tuesday, May 5 in the synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. Cost is $5.50 per person. Phone 781-3511.

Buy your spring and summer tops (for men, women and children) with coordinating pants and skirts, at the **JCC Senior Adult Services Fund Raising Sale**, 12.30-3 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, Room 221, 4588 Bathurst St. Proceeds are for the Senior Adult Club. For more information call **Teme Kernerman**, 636-1880.

Beth Sholom Seniors 1445 Eglinton Ave. W., look forward to their next meeting with entertainment and refreshments, 7.30 p.m. Wednesday, May 6. Cost is $1 for members, $2, non-members. Publicity chairman is **Eve Donsky**, 782-1068.

Learn about Biological and Chronological Age from chiropractor **Howard Levine** when **Temple Sinai Alumni** meet at 1.30 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, 1950 Bathurst St.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

Here's a reminder about the Casino Night sponsored by The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living and Thornhill Lodge, B'nai B'rith, 8.30 p.m.-1 a.m. at The Promenade Mall, Bathurst and Hwy. 7 area. Grand prize is two first class tickets to any place in the world where Air Canada flies. For tickets, call the Centre, 225-2112.

HONORARY FELLOWSHIP

Etta Sherman, honorary vice-president of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, received the University's Honorary Fellowship at a recent film premiere held in her honor by the Toronto Women's Auxiliary of the Alpha Omega Fraternity. Funds raised by the premiere will be used to establish scholarships at the school's faculty of dental medicine. From left: Evette Serota, chairman of Alpha Omega Women; Etta Sherman; Gerald Halbert, national president of Canadian Friends of HU; Lola Kockman and Chita Gerczuck.

Yom Ha'atzmaut, Israel's Independence Day, will be observed at the Centre beginning 1 p.m., Monday, May 4. There will be a 4 block walk to celebrate liberation and independence. At 1.45, a tree will be planted on the Centre's grounds to celebrate future growth. Guest speaker on this special day is **Emanuel Shimoni**, executive vice-president of the Canadian Technion Society, and the Jewish Quartet from the National Chamber Orchestra will perform. Refreshments will be served. This celebration is open to the community. There is a small charge of $1.50 for members and $2, non-members. For further details call **Barbara Zigler**, 225-2112.

at the jcc

JCC Valley Singles Centre announces its Singles Social Hotline for 24-hour taped information on happenings in the Jewish community. Call 889-5101.

singles

For singles information please see the Singles section in the classified ads.

In memory of Brian Goodman

Family refurbishes charter of JCC

TORONTO —

Tragedy befell Julius and Annette Goodman when their 28-year-old son, Brian, was run down by a car while running with a friend in March, 1985.

Two years later, the Goodmans have provided Toronto with a piece of history and a lasting tribute to their son by funding the refurbishment of the charter of the Jewish Community Centre.

The original charter, an 86-year-old document, was signed in 1901 by King Edward VII. The historic document established in Toronto a recreational and athletic organization named The Young Men's Hebrew Athletic Club.

The charter has been reframed, rematted, and a brass plaque affixed to it which reads. "In loving memory of Brian Goodman, 1957-1985."

This project was achieved due to the efforts of Morris Kirsch, a friend of the Goodman family who has a long tradition with the Jewish Community Centre as a former staff member, active volunteer and Health Club member; and Ted Thompson, director of fitness and recreation of the JCC where Brian Goodman had been a member for many years.

A tall, handsome, young man, described by friends as soft-spoken and sincere, Brian Goodman was a serious runner and active member of the JCC which was the focus of his social and athletic life. In the spring of 1985 he was training for the Ottawa Marathon and used the JCC as a base for his daily run.

In a recent memorial ceremony attended by more than 70 close friends and relatives, the charter was unveiled at the Jewish Community Centre. Speakers included Norman Gardner, North York alderman, representing the City of North York; Hersh Fogel, chairman of the board of the Jewish Community Centre; Thompson and Kirsch.

In an interview, Annette Goodman said, "We were touched and honored by the tribute to our son. Two years after his tragic and untimely death, we are still in deep sorrow."

She also expressed gratitude for the opportunity to perpetuate her son's name and encouraged others to think of the JCC as a recipient of donations that have traditionally gone to other charitable organizations.

Seen at a memorial ceremony for Brian Goodman at which the refurbished JCC Charter was unveiled are (from left) Norm Gardner, Hersh Fogel, and Annette and Julius Goodman.

By commemorating their son at the JCC the Goodmans were an example to others to focus on this institution as a beneficiary of endowments or donations to commemorate or celebrate any event in the life cycle, the JCC said in a statement.

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Organizations and People

"Revolutionary" changes at Montreal school

Wall pierced between Jewish, general studies

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —
A group of teachers at Herzliah High School in St. Laurent has accomplished something the administration considers "revolutionary" in Jewish education.

The nine teachers from the three linguistic departments of the school — Hebrew, French and English — have been able to bridge the traditional gap between their disciplines in a pilot project, deemed a success not only by the administration but the students as well.

A crack has been made in the normally impenetrable wall between Jewish and general studies at Herzliah, as at most other Jewish day schools, general studies principal Soryl Naymark and Hebrew studies principal Shmuel Izaakson say.

And the result is that the students are more aware that the various philosophical and ethical concepts taught in their Hebrew, English and French classes, both in Jewish texts and secular literature are closely related. As a byproduct, the students' facility in the three languages was improved, too.

"This is the first attempt of its kind at a Jewish school anywhere that we are aware of," said Naymark. "Other schools have been curious about how we would do." Herzliah is part of United Talmud Torahs.

The project, known as Integration 87, was completed in March. The overall theme was To What Extent is Man Master of his Own Destiny? which was broken down into such moral dilemmas as free will and determinism, choices and responsibility, and the triumph of good over evil.

The students, all in Secondary V, drew upon what they had learned in their separate studies of such books as Macbeth, L'Etranger by Albert Camus, Israeli author S.Y. Agnon's Tehilah and Kohelet (Ecclesiastes) from the Bible.

The concepts were explored through non-traditional ways. Movie clips, newspaper articles, records and videos were used to stimulate discussion. The seminar-style classes were held off-campus at the nearby Beth Ora synagogue because a different, informal setting, it was felt, would make students feel more at ease in expressing themselves.

Participation in the project was compulsory for the students, and their work was credited toward their Moral and Religious Education course, although there were no tests or written assignments.

Teachers participated voluntarily, and, in fact, spent many hours together on their own time preparing a curriculum and materials for the project. They had to start from scratch because nothing existed for such interdisciplinary teaching, they said.

The students were divided into three groups, each led by an English, French and Hebrew teacher. Two 4-hour seminars were held per week for two weeks. Each teacher took a turn leading the discussions and students, by all accounts, switched easily between the three languages.

Two of the groups took a literary approach to the theme, while the third stressed a historical perspective. At the concluding seminar two of the groups held a trial in which Macbeth was tried for the murder of King Duncan.

Witnesses for the defence and prosecution — played by the students — came not only from the Shakespearean play, but from L'Etranger, Ecclesiastes and Tehilah as well.

"Our approach allowed students a broad view of life without the compartmentalization that three separate disciplines tend to impart," said English teacher Irving Rabinovitch.

"The students' response was remarkably enthusiastic, which indicates the need to continue and develop this vital program" — the consensus among all the teachers.

There were difficulties to overcome. Each teacher had to become familiar with the books taught by the other. In most cases, translations in the teacher's own language were available.

The project was a chance for teachers from different departments to get to know each on a professional level, beyond the casual encounters most had previously had, teachers commented. They say the experience has fostered a team spirit among them.

For the Jewish studies teachers, certain attitudes had to be modified a bit. "I believed in Ivrit b'Ivrit, Hebrew being taught only in Hebrew," said Hebrew teacher Moshe Ozery. "I also had difficulty understanding and communicating in English and French, but we found a way."

Another Hebrew teacher Shimon Atar said he originally refused to be part of the project, feeling "it was impossible to compare the Bible to secular literature." But, by not stressing the religious point of view, Atar found he could participate.

Two of the nine teachers are not Jewish.

"It was good just to get out of class," said student Lewis Tepper. "There was a more person-to-person relationship with the teacher that made conversation and learning easier. Students looked forward to going (to the seminars):...The only drawback was the lack of conclusion; there are no answers to the questions we discussed."

Traci Rosenberg felt her Torah studies will be more relevant to her because of the project.

Another girl thought it was nice to have the students' opinions solicited for a change, allowing them to think for themselves, instead of merely being passive recipients of what is taught.

The prognosis is that the program will be done again next year, and perhaps expanded to other grades or subjects, say the Herzliah's principals.

Career women to explore social services in Israel

MONTREAL —
Career women from Canada and Israel will meet in Tel Aviv July 5-16 for a Career Women's Israel Program.

The trip will explore Israel's human, social, and cultural services from a women's perspective.

The Combined Jewish Appeal and the United Israel Appeal of Canada, who are organizing the visit, said one of the unique aspects of the program will be the participation of Judy Widetsky, secretary-general of the World Labor Zionist Movement, as the program's scholar-in-residence. The Minneapolis-born Widetsky has lived in Israel since age 10.

Included in the itinerary is a survey of the full range of human services available in Israel. These include absorption centres, including a visit with Jewish Ethiopian immigrants and care centres for the elderly.

Culture is also being highlighted this year. The group will attend a piano concert in the Hemdat Hamim hills, visit Safad's artist colony, and listen to the Israel Philharmonic concert in Jerusalem.

The group will also tour the country using Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, and a northern kibbutz as bases. One of the highlights will be sunrise at Masada.

Participants in the program include Women's Federation president Elaine Goldstein, past-president Rhoda Granatstein, and Vivianne Silver, chairman of the Career Women's Network.

Further information on the program is available by calling 735-3541, local 254.

Correction

The telephone number for the Baycrest Centre's Caring for the Caregivers Program is (416) 789-5131, ext. 3079.

The number for the program — which has undertaken to provide support for people caring for their own elderly — was misprinted in a recent issue of The CJN.

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Prof. Moshe Many

Tel Aviv U head visits Toronto

TORONTO — Prof. Moshe Many, president of Tel Aviv University, was recently in Toronto to meet with the leadership of Canadian Friends.

Many attended a dinner in his honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Morton and guests included Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Latner. Morton is president of the Toronto chapter of Canadian Friends while Latner is the group's national president.

Many, who has been president of the university since 1983, is a professor of surgery at the university's Sackler Faculty of Medine and chief of the urology department of the Sheba Medical Centre at Tel-Hashomer.

The professor, who went to Montreal to confer an honorary doctoral degree on Premier Robert Bourassa (CJN April 23), is a member of numerous public organizations in Israel. He is also a member of various American and international medical associations.

Kelman appointed to BB post

TORONTO — Barbara Terry Kelman has been appointed to the newly created position at B'nai B'rith Canada of Ontario regional director.

Barbara Terry Kelman

Kelman, who has an extensive volunteer background with Beth Tzedec Congregation, Aid to Disabled War Veterans of Israel and National Council of Jewish Women, will be responsible for servicing all Ontario lodges, excluding the Ottawa region, in areas of programming and membership.

Frank Dimant, BB executive vice-president, said the new position is geared to better service the grassroots lodge members and "to enhance the lodge profile and programming in the province."

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Wins Class A tennis tourney

Schachter makes comeback

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
No one ever said playing tennis was like riding a bike — once you learn how you never forget.

But Mitch Schachter is adding a new twist to that old cliche. A top tennis player who hadn't played competitively for years, Schachter recently entered a high level Class A tournament, and won.

With only a weekly dose of friendly matches to tune him up, Schachter admits he was somewhat surprised he performed as well as he did.

But when you look back at his tennis past, an objective observer might not be so astonished the 25-year-old articling law student took 1st place in the Class A tournament at the Mayfair Parkway club.

Back in 1980, Schachter was ranked 2nd in Ontario in the under-18 category, while in 1978, he was the 3rd best junior (under 16).

His tennis prowess earned him a scholarship to Auburn University, where he studied business administration, played three hours a day and participated in a number of top U.S. college tournaments.

But since his return to Ontario in 1984, Schachter hasn't played against any major opposition. In fact, this winter, his major source of exercise was playing hockey in the B'nai B'rith hockey league.

But one week before the tournament, Schachter hit the courts three times — "the most I've played in three years" — and the training paid off.

Going into the competition and despite being seeded 4th of 32 players, Schachter was sure "I'd lose early."

His first match he won handily by scores of 6-0 and 6-1 while in the quarter finals he had some trouble with Adam Salahuden, despatching him finally by scores of 6-4, 4-6 and 6-1.

In the semi-final, he came up against 2nd seed Imty Kara and handled him by scores of 6-1 and 6-2.

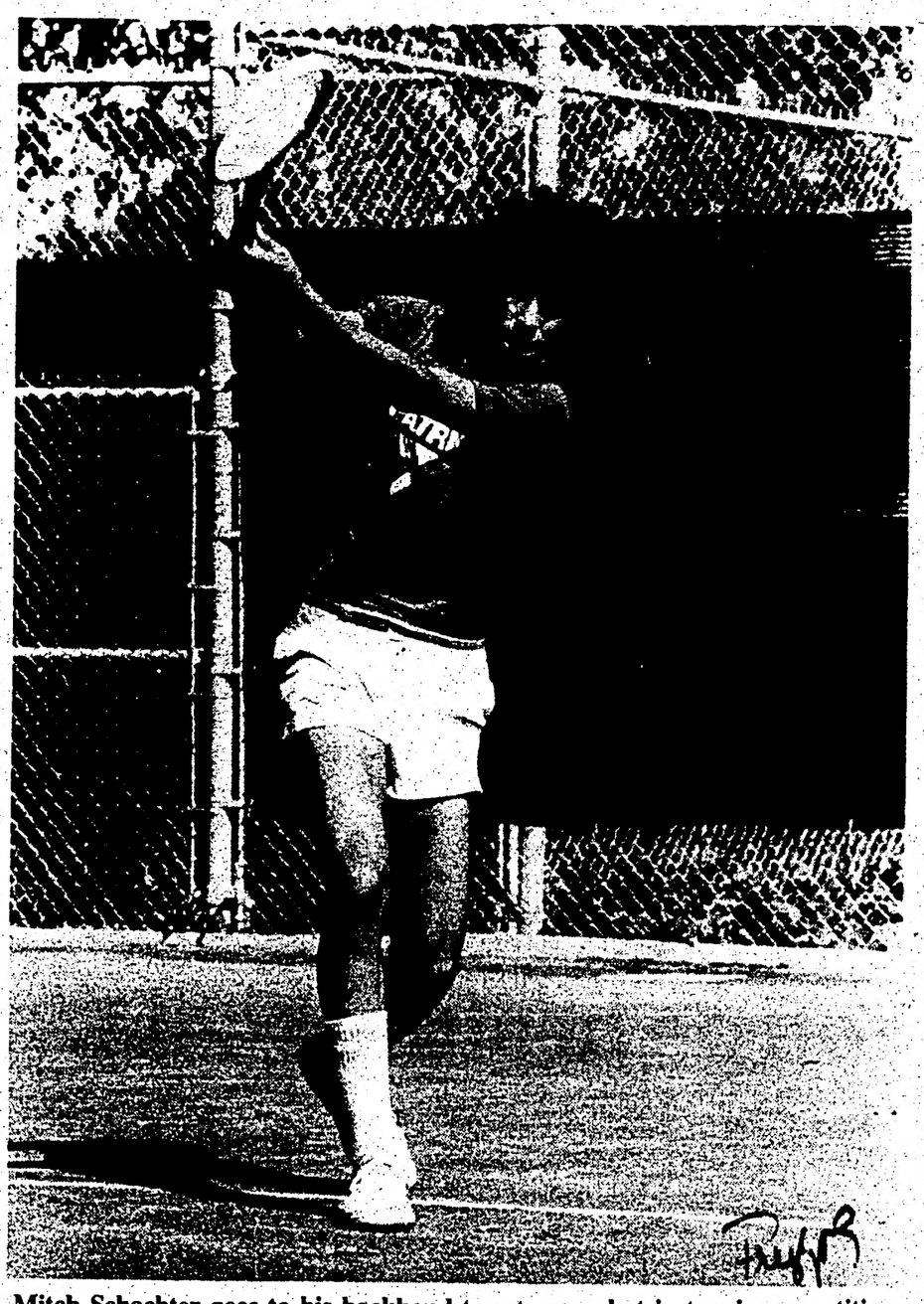
The final saw him beat Mike Czeriski by scores of 6-3 and 6-3.

"I was surprised," Schachter said. "I really thought going into the final, I'd get blown out."

Schachter was worried his long spell away from competitive games would leave him without the proper mental attitude. But he says he got stronger as the tournament progressed.

With work in a law office scheduled to commence on June 1, Schachter says he plans to play a lot more tennis in May and enter a number of Class A tournaments. But first he's off to Auburn to hone up his skills and then, back to competitive tennis.

"I felt like I was 18 again at the juniors," he says with a whiff of nostalgia.



Mitch Schachter goes to his backhand to return a shot in tennis competition.

Montrealer to carry flag at 13th Hapoel Games

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —
A contingent of top Canadian athletes will have a unique presence when its 56-man squad enters Ramat Gan Stadium to kick off the 13th quadrennial Hapoel Games in Israel.

Miriam Ticktin, a Pointe Claire swimmer and Maccabiah Games veteran, will be carrying the Canadian flag at opening ceremonies as Israel's version of the Olympic Games, open to the world's best athletes, begins its May 4-11 run.

"There's never been a Jewish member on the team before," said Sid Kastner, who chaired the selection committee for the games. "It should be a big thrill for Miriam. She'll be turning 17 just as the games are getting under way," he said.

Ticktin will be joined by Canada's 21-man national basketball squad, 15 track and field athletes, and 19 other swimmers vying for medals at the games, held under the auspices of the Israeli Sports Federation and Israeli Olympic Committee.

It will also mark the 4th time Canada has sent a squad of athletes to the games, considered Israel's most prestigious sporting event.

In 1983, 31 nations and 1,700 Olympic-calibre athletes took part in the Hapoel Games, which in contrast to the Maccabiah Games, are open to both Jewish and non-Jewish participants.

Athletes on the Canadian squad were nominated by Canada's National Sports Federation. All are considered prospects for the Olympic Games the following year in Seoul, South Korea.

"It's our strongest team ever," Kastner said, "the best calibre of athlete ever performing at the games," and strong medal contenders, he added.

The competition should be "nip and tuck" in basketball event, Kastner predicted, where the U.S., Israel, and Canada all have fielded very strong teams.

Last year, Israel brought its basketball squad to Canada for a series of games with the national team, but lost them all in closely fought contests.

Canada holds records

Canada's chances also look good in swimming and track and field, with Ticktin "up there," and Esmee Laurence ranked 2nd nationally in the 200-metre dash. Gillian Richardson is ranked 3rd in the 400-metre event and also looks like a good possibility for a medal, Kastner said.

Canada already holds several records at the Israeli games.

Swimmer Ann Ottenbrite garnered a gold medals in 1983 for record times in the 100- and 200-metre breaststroke. Julie McBain also set a Hapoel Games record in the 4 x 100-metre medley.

Greg Joy, who won a silver medal in high jumping at the Olympic Games in Montreal, is also a past Hapoel Games competitor.

The Canadian squad is excited about visiting Israel for the Games, Kastner said. "Israel has a certain charisma that is intriguing to the athletes."

President Chaim Herzog will open the games, and Israel's 39th Independence Day will be celebrated during the athletes' 8-day stay.

The Hapoel Games date back to 1928, and were launched by Israel's labor federation, the Histadrut, to promote sports activity among its members. The Games became international in 1952.

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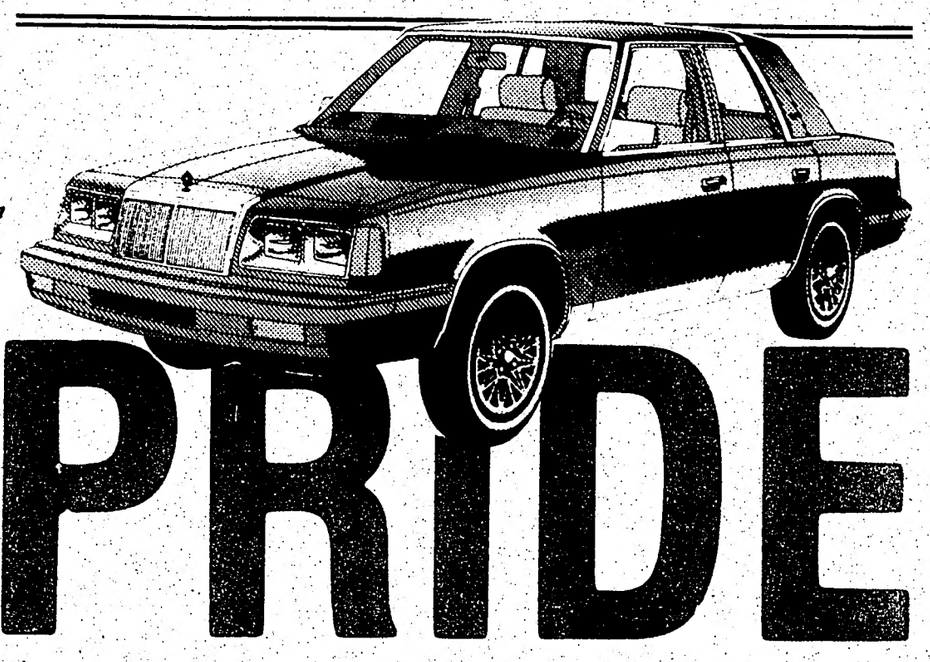

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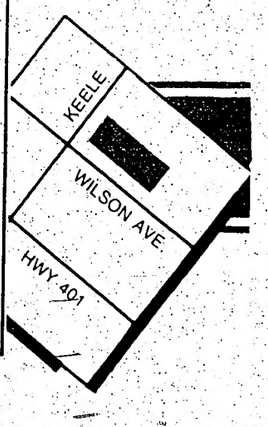

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65 years of marriage

Couple enjoys a healthy, peaceful lifestyle

By
SAM MAINSTER

TORONTO —

Vegetarianism, exercise and a peaceful lifestyle have taken Philip and Lillian Gordon through 65 years of marriage.

To Phillip, 95, and Lillian, 86, who celebrated their 65th anniversary recently, their longevity and unhampered years of marriage are due to their particularly healthy way of living.

Fresh fruit, vegetables and nuts make up the couple's main diet in their North York high-rise apartment. Though Lillian describes herself as semi-vegetarian because she eats fish, Philip describes himself, as "100%, though I cheat every couple of months and have an egg," he admits.

This regimen has been kept since Philip was a sickly young man 60 years ago. "I was told then that I wouldn't live for more than two years," he recalls.

Today the couple are sharp-witted and surprisingly agile for their impressive ages.

They live on their own with an independence many younger than them do not enjoy. Philip was the oldest driver in Metro Toronto until 1984, when he — not the authorities — decided not to renew his licence.

Philip also swims, "as often as I can," at the JCC during the summer and in Florida during the couple's 6-month winter vacation.

An easygoing way of dealing with life has also added to the couple's strength. "To them, age is only a number," says their daughter Edith.

Philip describes his peace of mind in the way he did business as the owner of the Royal Furniture Co. for almost 50 years. "I didn't argue with people," he says. "If someone threatened to sue me, I just settled."

Perhaps Lillian best illustrates the couple's attitude. When asked about her feelings on the important events that have passed during her lifetime, she replies: "I don't think about them. What was good wasn't good enough to remember, and anything bad I don't bother remembering."

Lillian is Toronto-born, while Philip emigrated as a teenager to Toronto from a village near Minsk.

The oldest child of a fatherless family, Philip took care of his younger siblings and mother, working at anything. He eventually started his own business making women's garments and wound up employing Lillian's father and later, Lillian.

One of Lillian's first memories of Philip was him driving her home in his car. It was in this car one night that Philip asked Lillian to marry him. Philip knew her parents would agree. "Her mother liked me a lot," he says.

Lilian and Philip Gordon celebrate 65 years together.

Philip says he loves Lillian as much as when he first met her. "My wife is my first friend," he says of his long partnership.

The couple celebrated their anniversary with their two children, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. They look forward to future anniversaries together and with, they add hopefully, more great grandchildren.

Osteoporosis takes toll on healthy bodies

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Most of us can assume that with normal wear and tear, our bodies will remain strong and intact.

Victims of osteoporosis, however, are not that lucky. Their bones have weakened due to loss of calcium and simple actions such as sneezing or stepping off a curb can cause painful fractures.

Howard Levine, a Toronto chiropractor and naturopath explained to a recent breakfast meeting of the Beth Sholom Brotherhood that 99% of the calcium in our body is contained in bones and teeth.

"Only 1% circulates in the blood but that 1% is critical. When the calcium level falls in the blood, it is taken from our bones and teeth."

Person loses posture

He added that as a result, bones weaken, and easily fracture, and a person loses their posture and becomes shorter.

Levine told the group that women are particularly prone to osteoporosis, a disease that is more common than heart attacks, strokes, rheumatoid arthritis or breast cancer.

He said however, that rather than worrying about contracting the disease there are things a person can do to try and prevent its onset. "As opposed to many diseases, osteoporosis is so lifestyle related, it is incredible."

Levine said that the average Canadian adult consumes about 450-550 milligrams of calcium a day. "That is not nearly enough. Adults should comsume 1000 mg. daily and post menopausal women should consume up to 1,500 mg.

He noted that good sources of calcium are sardines, raw almonds and green leafy vegetables.

Who is at a particular risk at contracting osteoporosis? "Postmenopausal women, heavy coffee drinkers, smokers, those who get no exercise and those who eat too much protein," Levine says.

He added that most people consume more protein in a day than is healthy. "Whereas the average adult eats about 100-120 mg. a day, they need only about 30-40 mg. The whole idea in avoiding osteoporosis is maintaining a positive calcium balance in the body. Too much protein may cause a negative calcium balance."

Levine said that too much protein has been linked with hardening of the arteries and osteoporosis. "That is why milk is not particularly useful in maintaining healthy bones. It contains a lot of calcium but it also contains a lot of protein. The more milk you consume, the more protein you are getting."

He said that adults can easily obtain the protein they need from eggs, chicken and fish.

Levine noted that whereas 25% of women are affected by osteoporosis after natural menopause, 80% are affected after surgical menopause. "Women may take an estrogen supplement to try and prevent degeneration but then they have to worry about the risks involved in taking drugs."

He told the group that the best way to try and prevent osteoporosis is to maintain an healthy lifestyle. "Get out in the sun a little every day. Fifteen to 20 minutes of sunshine daily stimulates vitamin D which helps stimulate calcium. Also try and get some exercise, don't smoke, keep your caffeine consumption low and watch what you eat."

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Organizations and People

The Women's Division of the Toronto Chapter of the Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv Univesity recently held its inaugural meeting. Three of four vice-presidents (left to right) Raquel Levy, Prof. Blossom Wigdor and Deborah White are seen with president Prof. Merrijoy Kelner.

Morton stresses involvement

Tel Aviv U attracts more

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
All community organizations are worthwhile but if a Jew is giving time to a general group, he or she must also give time to a Jewish one, said the president of the Toronto Chapter of the Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University.

Paul Morton told an audience of about 30 at the inaugural meeting of the Toronto Chapter's Women's Division at the home of Gad and Raquel Levy that individuals can gain from being proud of their Jewish heritage.

He said that although Tel Aviv University is the largest learning institute in Israel with nine faculties and 25,000 students, that "it doesn't have the profile and response from the general community here because Hebrew University has been around so long."

Morton, president of Global Communications, said that an aggressive campaign was launched and enrolment has increased threefold so that virtually as many Canadian students are attending Tel Aviv University as are Hebrew University. Enrolment will continue to grow by word of mouth as Canadian students tell their peers.

He pointed out that Tel Aviv University is starting to be recognized as a first class and diverse learning institute. Not only is the faculty of arts strong, the medical faculty is one of the few in the world where graduates automatically receive status in New York and several other states.

"But it has monetary problems like the rest of Israel and it needs our help and support. All institutions need help but Tel Aviv University needs it more than the others."

Morton said that although support ultimately translates into dollars, Canadian Friends prefer to set a climate by bringing in speakers from the university "to give people a sense of the university." At these meetings, funds are not solicited.

Prof. Merrijoy Kelner was named division president. The four vice-presidents are Raquel Levy, Deborah White, Prof. Blossom Wigdor and Penny-Lynn Grosman. Other officers will be named later.

In explaining the need for a women's division, Kelner said "Women are more prepared to do work, more accessible and more imaginative than men.

"While raising the profile of the university, we want to have a good time and learn."

The Women's Division will concentrate its efforts in the area of visual and performing arts.

Rabin: Big Soviet aliya would bring $$ woes

By
ESTHER MEHR

TEL AVIV —
The hoped-for mass emigration of Soviet Jews will see the beginning of a new era of relations between Israel and Russia, Yitzhak Rabin told the Toronto Inaugural Mission during a recent breakfast address in Tel Aviv.

Should it come about, said Israel's minister of defence, it will place a tremendous new burden on the country's economy and resources.

'We need your (world Jewry) help to cope with our social and economic problems to make Israel a better society for all Jews," he told the 152-member mission organized under the auspices of Toronto Jewish Congress/United Jewish Appeal.

Rabin said that Israel's present military position was stable and that problems were "less acute." He spoke of the Iran-Iraq conflict as a "no win situation" for Israel. "For the present, at least, war with Israel is too high a risk for either of them."

Regarding Syria, Israel's formidable adversary in the Middle East, Rabin pointed out that there have been trends in the past six months of a letup in anti-Israel rthetoric. He cautioned it would be unwise for him to make a prophesy of war or peace for the future.

We want to avoid and prevent war," Rabin said. "It is too painful and expensive, but we'll fight if we're forced to."

He went on to say there was little hope of winning a complete military victory if terrorists are allowed to thrive in Arab countries. 'We Israelis are strong and capable of living under the threat of terrorist incidents."

He said there were tangible signs of better relations with Egypt. "The policy initiated by Sadat is generally being followed by President Hosni Mubarak, who is complying with the essence of the peace treaty."

Rabin praised the "warm Toronto Jewish community" for "never failing to come forward" on Israel's behalf, in time of crisis and at all other times.

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Says she's not specifically female or ethnic candidate

Hosek wants social justice, economic growth

The CJN's pre-Election Watch looks at the provincial riding of Oakwood, where Chaviva Hosek's nomination has sparked cries of protest from some residents.

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By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

Three, two, one? That's what the Liberals are hoping for in the Toronto riding of Oakwood when the next provincial election is called.

After finishing in 3rd spot in the 1981 election and coming in second in the 1985 race, the Liberals are counting on businesswoman and feminist Chaviva Hosek to wrestle this ethnic riding away from NDP incumbent Tony Grande next time around.

Hosek, whose parents survived the Holocaust, was born in Czechoslovakia and moved to Montreal at age 6. (Her mother was in Auschwitz for a year during World War II and her father did forced labor.)

Partially as a result of her parents' experience, Hosek said her Jewish roots run deep. As a child she attended Adat Israel Hebrew school in Montreal where she studied Talmud. Today Hosek's knowledge of Hebrew serves during her frequent visits to Israel, where she has a large family.

Hosek said her background also influenced her political outlook and her commitment to social justice. This is reflected in her involvement in the New Israel Fund, an organization concerned with issues of social justice in Israel. It also resulted in her choosing to run for the Liberal Party.

"The belief system of the Liberal Party fits quite comfortably with the belief system that I have had for a long time," Hosek said. "I'm comfortable with the basic beliefs about giving people liberty and caring about social justice in a context of economic development."

Hosek said she first became interested in politics as a child while discussing international affairs and foreign diplomatic politics with her father around the kitchen table. It wasn't until until much later though that she became interested in internal Canadian politics.

"I don't believe I was very interested in politics in university except I was one of those people who liked to be well informed, but it wasn't a passion of mine. I was interested when Jean Lesage became premier of Quebec because that seemed like politics I could recognize as having to do with the real world around me. I was also fascinated by the 1960 American presidential election and primary process."

After attending McGill University, Hosek took her doctorate at Harvard. As well as English and Hebrew, she speaks Hungarian and French and understands German.

Hosek gained a name for herself in the women's movement as a member of the Ontario Committee on the Status of Women in 1974 and president of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women (NAC) from 1984-1986.

Looking back at her involvement with the women's movement, Hosek said she thinks she's always been a feminist, defining the term as "someone who believes that men and women are equally valuable people and who notices that the world doesn't treat women as though they were valuable and wants to do something about that.

"I think my parents were feminists and I see it as one part of the continuum of legal/social justice which is a very old tradition and a very old Jewish tradition."

Hosek said she became actively involved in women's issues while a graduate student at Harvard and carried the results of her consciousness raising group with her when she returned to Canada in 1972.

Chaviva Hosek

In 1975, she was asked to chair the Women's Studies Program at the University of Toronto and from then on, she said, everyone started treating her as a feminist. From there she joined the Ontario Committee on the Status of Women where she learned how the political process operates between elections.

A former English professor at the U of T, Hosek currently sits on the Economic Council of Canada and is a research partner at Gordon Capital Corporation specializing in pension-management systems. She has served on the U of T's governing council and was co-chairman of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's advisory committee for the 1985 national economic summit.

Despite her extensive involvement in the political process, Hosek said it wasn't until she became president of NAC when she was approached to run for elected office.

"I had never thought of this before. People started treating me as if I was going to do it, which I found very funny, and they started to ask me when and for what party. As they kept talking about it I thought maybe I should think about it. So I started thinking about it and it seemed to me that running for political office would give me a chance to work on some of the things I cared about in a different way than the way I had done in the past."

With her mind firmly made up and her philosophy in tune with the Liberal Party, Hosek said all that was left was to choose a riding.

She said she chose Oakwood after examining the riding's profile and its ethnic and economic mix. Despite the controversy over her nomination, Hosek said she has no regrets.

The problem arose after members of the riding's Italian communtiy accused the Liberal Party of "parachuting" Hosek into the riding and brought in an Italian candidate at the last minute to run against her.

"I think people use the political process and say what they want to say for the purposes of winning and I assume that somebody found it useful to say there was dissension in the Italian community. The people I was working with were strong members of the Italian community who had been there a long time and who had worked in the riding politically for a long time and we were very comfortable with each other. I think it was a false description to say the Italian community didn't like (my nomination). There were some people who had another candidate and said whatever they wanted to say."

This west Toronto riding, represented at Queen's Park by Tony Grande since 1975, includes a large Italian community and approximately 4,430 Jews. Liberal candidates in Oakwood received 21.2% of the vote in the 1981 election and 38.5% of the tally the last time around, losing by a margin of 983.

Despite her diverse background, Hosek said she does not see herself specifically as a female or ethnic candidate, but a person who brings her history and who she is with her.

"I am an immigrant, a Jew, a woman, an educator, a person who has had a certain kind of history and I bring all of it with me. I believe the political process needs many types of people to represent the many types of people out there."

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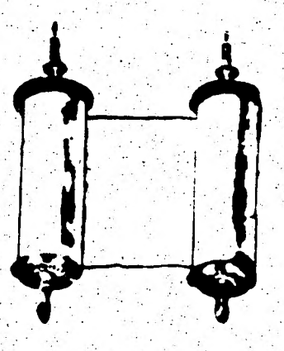

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Tazriah/Metzorah

Children can be a blessing — or sometimes a headache.

A couple was getting divorced and reached a settlement except for one problem. They had three children, and didn't know how to divide them.

They sought advice from their rabbi. "Simple," he decided. "Go home, live together another year and have another child."

They agreed. A year later they returned. "How did my advice work out?" asked the rabbi.

"We had twins!" they complained.

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Children are a gift of God. Some couples are blessed with children, while for others, God has other plans and other mitzvahs.

But just children and are not enough — good children are important. Respectful children. Children who sanctify God's name by their actions.

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The parsha begins: "*Isha kee tazriah viyaldah zachar*. . . . If a woman conceives and gives birth to a male child. . . ."

In Hebrew, the four words "*kee tazriah viyaldah zachar* . . . make up the word, *Zchut*, merit. . . ."

Why merit? But the blessing of having worthy children, children that honor and respect and give nachat to their parents, depends a great deal on the holy thoughts of the *mother*.

There is a strange and beautiful tradition in Judaism. The holiness of the child does not begin just when you walk him or her up the stairs of the Hebrew school.

It does not begin in the nursery or highchair, making a bracha.

It does not even begin in the womb, where the child sleeps and dreams and hears everything.

It begins . . . at the beginning.

It begins during the very act of conception, in the physical love between husband and wife, the passion and closeness and desire, right there, at that moment. . . .

There must be kedusha! What we are doing is not just between us, a physical act, lust, a release. It is an awesome, mysterious act of creation.

"*Shlosha shutfim badam* . . . A human being has three partners, God, a father, a mother. . . ."

The act of creation is not just physical. It is sacred, it stems from the mind, the soul, not just below the belt.

Just then, at that special moment a man, a woman, must concentrate: "I sanctify this act, I dedicate this act to God, to bring down to the world a holy soul. . . ."

The world needs beauty. It needs holiness. It needs Yirat Shomayim. It needs joy and hope, and human beings who will cure cancer and heal sadness and bring light wherever they go.

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There is heat between man and woman, and between humanity and the Almighty.

A chassidic rebbe wore his fur shtreimel on a hot summer Shabbat day, while visiting a cure-bath in a West European city.

A modern Jew stopped him and asked: "Rebbe, why wear such a heavy shtreimel on such a warm day?"

"Because your Sabbaths are so cold here," he answered.

May our hearts be warm to each other. Shabbat Shalom.

Community Mental Health Clinic

Ezrath Nashim rehab need cited

JERUSALEM —

There is an urgent need to expand the rehabilitation facilities of the Community Mental Health Clinic of Jerusalem's Ezrath Nashim Hospital to help people on the edge of breaking down, says Dr. David Greenberg, the clinic's director.

"Right now we treat 350 people who have chronic psychiatric problems. We need more doctors, more facilities," says Greenberg, who will give a series of lectures in Canada next month including an appearnce before the Toronto Committee of the Canadian Friends of Ezrah Nashim May 11 at the home of Arnold and Lili Friedman.

"There are many people who ought to be out of the hospital, if only we had such facilities as halfway houses, day hospitals, staff or home care and so on," said the 37-year-old oleh psychiatrist from Britain.

He said that about 1% of the total population seeks psychiatric help each year, and that at his clinic alone, "nearly 100 additional people each month turn to us for help, and each requires time and attention."

Greenberg added that while the clinic is doing the best it can with the available staff and facilities, there are many people who are being neglected.

"That is a situation that we as a civilized community, as a Jewish community, cannot permit to continue indefinitely," he said.

Greenberg, who moved with his family to Israel 4½ years ago, said that what he loves about psychiatry is human contact.

Seeing people with all their differences is stimulating, he said, calling it a great effort, but a "very rewarding" experience.

"I think a Jew always has a sense of strangeness. Outside of Israel, he always feels slightly not part of the society into which he was born.

Dr. David Greenberg

"If he is aware that he is a Jew, then by definition he feels slightly alien. That's the reason so many psychiatrists are Jewish."

Greenberg said the reasons for his family's aliya have become more clear since arriving in Israel.

"It's a sense of belonging. People here are very very responsive, and we feel an enormous warmth. . . . At Purim patients come to bring 'shelach manus' for example.

"There are so many levels on which you respond to people here, and that makes life so much richer. And all this takes place amidst a polyglot community — people from all over the world. The cultural strains are very rich — all different, and yet there is so much that we all have in common."

Both as a Jew and a psychiatrist, Greenberg said, he finds it "ever so exciting" to meet so many different people — so very different, and yet with so much in common.

"Ultra-Orthodox and irreligious, all meet and work together. I want to help them, and they want to be helped — this is an enormously uniting feature. It would be wonderful if all the people of Israel could meet together the way they meet in my office."

Greenberg said the first two years after aliya were difficult, with the family having to make adjustments but after that initial period, "we decided that England was a lovely place and we still have lots of friends there — but Israel is our home."

For further information about Dr. David Greenberg's appearance in Toronto, contact Shula Robin at 630-4253.

Passover prayer said in shuls for refugees

MONTREAL —

A Passover prayer for refugees seeking sanctuary in Canada was conducted during the holiday in many synagogues across the country at the urging of Canadian Jewish Congress' Department of Religious and Interreligious Affairs.

In a letter sent to the nation's rabbis prior to Passover, CJC assistant national executive director and department director Ian Kagedon wrote:

"As Jews, we are particularly aware of the oppression and the sad prospect of rejection by countries which could offer security and peace to those suffering injustice.

"We ask that you include in your sermons some reference to the plight of refugees. There are few more appropriate occasions on which the topic should be raised in our synagogues and in our homes."

Congress reiterated its commitment to expeditious implementation of a "fair" refugee determination process. CJC president Dorothy Reitman said Jews "have a special role to play in calling upon our government to act in the most open fashion to accept those who arrive at our borders claiming refugee status."

Only a generation ago, said Reitman, "Jews fleeing Nazi oppression sought sanctuary in Canada, were turned away, and perished."

In part, the prayer read: ". . . Our seder is an invitation to all of us, in our own sanctuary . . . to work together to provide sanctuary to all those who are now uprooted and homeless, fleeing oppression in their native lands. We know the experience of the refugee.

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Share need to be "connected" to Jewish community

Todres, Richler will get TJC leadership award

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

Elaine Todres and Gerald Richler have been named recipients of the Toronto Jewish Congress 1986 Leadership Development Award. Formal presentation will take place at the TJC annual meeting on May 21 at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

Todres, who hails from Winnipeg, has lived in Toronto for the past 12 years. Richler, a native of Montreal, moved to Toronto 16 years ago.

What do these two have in common? They shared an expressed desire and need to be "connected" to their newly-adopted Jewish community.

For Elaine Todres that meant United Jewish Appeal. Back in Winnipeg, her mother had been Women's Division chairman, so that seemed to her to be the natural entry into Toronto's Jewish communal life.

"I waited for someone from UJA to contact me after I moved here," she recalled. "When time passed and no one tried to reach me, I took the initiative, called and offered my services as a speaker, since I didn't want to do fund raising. That's how it began."

A founding member of Business & Professional Women's Network, Todres has moved on to serve on the Canadian Jewish Congress national executive and its law and social action committee; the TJC executive; Social Planning Council and strategic planning committee.

Looking back to her growing-up years, Todres observed that being a child of Holocaust survivors has colored her whole view of the world. That, coupled with the fact that she comes from "a long line of strong women," has had a telling impact on how she sees herself as a Jew and a woman, and on her professional life.

Gerald Richler

Elaine Todres

In June of 1986 she was named assistant deputy minister of the Ontario Women's Directorate, a promotion from her former title of director.

When first hired by the Women's Directorate, Todres explained: "I suddenly put on new glasses. In place of the previous number one question in my mind — 'is it good for Israel?' my thought process expanded to 'is it good for women?' and from there to 'is it good for Jewish women?' "

Currently involved with Ontario's proposed pay equity legislation, Elaine Todres says she is pleased to see Jewish Women's Federation presenting a united front in favor of new law enactment.

"The Jewish community has not had a degree of presence on major issues facing Canadian women," she said. "A much broader agenda is needed and this issue is a good springboard."

The influencing factors on her life today, she says, begin with her marriage to social worker Rubin Todres, the birth of her daughter Lindsay and son Jesse, her job and her association with the Business & Professional Women's Network.

In the short span of time since Gerry Richler has called Toronto home, he has definitely carved out a niche for himself in the Jewish community.

But it was not always thus, he states.

After receiving his BA in Sociology at Montreal's Sir George Williams University where he had been active in Hillel, he took his Masters in Business Administration at Glendon College, which is situated off the main campus of York University.

"There was no visible Jewish presence that I was aware of," he remarked. "Coming from Montreal where both my parents were heavily involved in the city's Jewish community, I felt as though I had fallen through the cracks here. I wanted very much to get connected, but I didn't have a clue as to how or where to begin."

That was before his friend Dr. Harry Krakowsky entered the scene and steered Richler to the TJC Leadership Development program. That was 1982 and he hasn't looked back since.

Since coming out of Leadership Development, Richler has served as a member of the TJC budget & finance committee; TJC executive; Social Planning Committee; and Ontario Region executive of Canadian Jewish Congress.

His UJA involvement began with a vice-chairmanship of the Business Division in 1985; co-chairman Thornhill Outreach and Eye Opener series; and the campaign cabinet.

Currently, he's taken on a long-term commitment heading the board of development, human resources department of TJC.

His business career has flourished as his communal interests have expanded. A director and vice-president of Ontario operations for Ideal Metal and Alloys of Canada Ltd., Richler is also president of the Eastern Canada chapter of the National Association of Aluminum Distributors.

Gerry Richler's wife, Shelley, is Leadership Development co-chairman in the 1988 UJA Women's Campaign lineup, while his sister, Sheila Lancit, is Ramah Gifts chairman.

The Richlers have three children — Robbie, Joanna and Marc.

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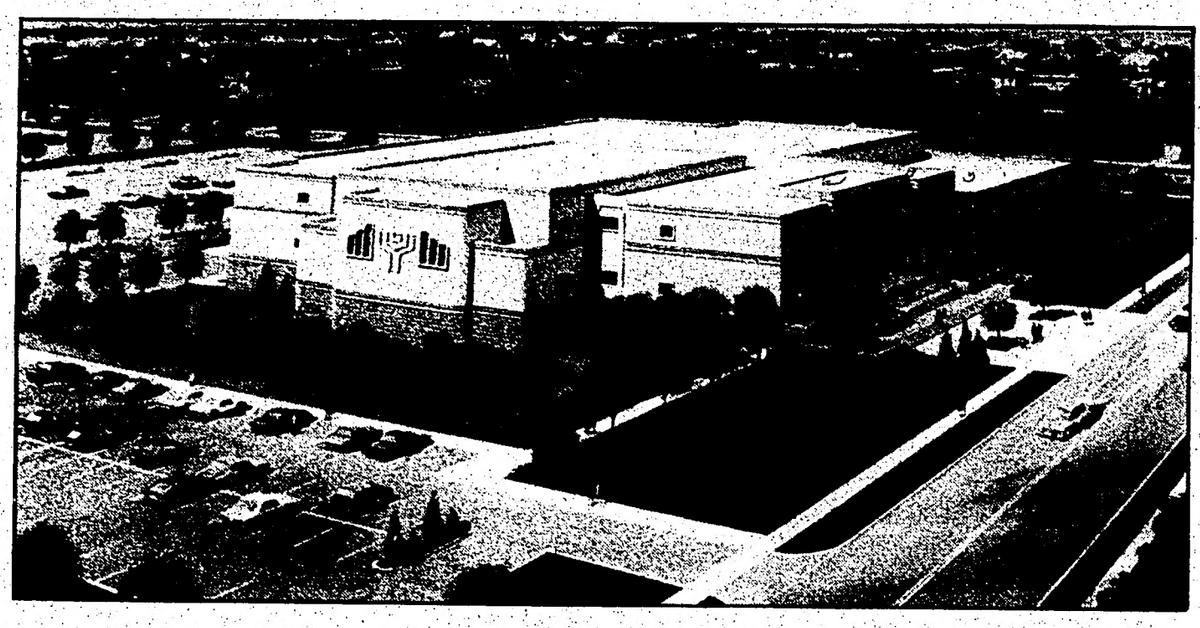

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Organizations and People

Couple praises Refuseniks' spirit

Soviet Jews know how to celebrate holidays

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
Western Jews could take a lesson in celebrating Jewish holidays from Soviet Jews, a local couple says.

Gerald Brounstein and his wife Naomi Jacobs-Brounstein, who were called to the bar this month, recently returned from a 2-week trip to Moscow, Leningrad, Tbilisi in Georgia and Tashkent in Uzbekistan.

Their 4-day visit to Moscow coincided with Purim.

"They may be oppressed physically but the way they celebrate is very spiritual," Brounstein said. His wife added that the small sanctuary was jammed with people.

On the Saturday morning, those at shul were mostly elderly men but that night for the beginning of Purim, there were hundreds, she said.

"They are highly trained people doing unchallenging jobs so it seems they're turning their whole spirit into learning Torah and studying Hebrew and it seems the celebrating becomes more intense," she said.

He added that "it's kind of ironic in a way that we have become distracted because of luxury. The Refuseniks are constantly harassed and are doing a fine job of retaining their culture and practicing their religion."

Jacobs-Brounstein, an officer of Canadian Jewish Congress and former chairman of the North American Jewish Students Network, said they went to a Purim spiel for adults at the home of a Hebrew teacher.

"There was a series of songs and skits satirizing life in the Soviet Union which used the story of Purim and even tourists from the West," she said.

It was at this party that the couple met Iosif Begun as well as Tatanya Edelshtein and Natasha Ratner, wives of the last two jailed Prisoners of Conscience Yuli Edelshtein and Aleksei Magarik respectively.

When they asked Begun whether he thought he would soon get an exit visa, he replied no. Jacobs-Brounstein said he told them that he thought he would have have it at the same time he was released in the same fashion as Natan Scharansky.

However, Begun said he had a lot of work — teaching Hebrew and Jewish culture — to do in the Soviet Union.

Edelshtein told them she was concerned for her husband's health and doubts whether he can last in prison until September, when his term ends. She has been assured that they will be allowed to continue living in Moscow after his release.

The Toronto couple described Edelshtein as concerned, articulate and "very aware and appreciative of the efforts on her husband's behalf."

Of all the Refuseniks they met, they said they were most moved by the Catch 22 situation of Nadezhda Fradkova. The Leningrad native applied for an exit visa in 1978 but was refused because her father, who had been divorced from her mother when she was 2 years old and whom she hadn't seen since then, had a security problem. Her mother was dead and there were no siblings.

In April and May 1981, she fasted in a bid to gain an exit visa. Her second hunger strike began in March 1983 and she was taken from her home and force fed in a hospital.

In July 1984, she began her third hunger strike. This time, they said, she was placed in a pyschiatric hospital for six months. During this time, she was found guilty of vagrancy and sentenced to a labor camp — when it was read in court that she had applied for an exit visa, people shouted "traitor."

Upon her release in August 1986, she went back to Leningrad and attempted to register with authorities as all citizens are required to do. They refused to let her.

"She's living illegally with friends and is quite desperate," Brounstein said. "Even the clothes on her back were given to her by other Canadians.

"Her asthma is bad but she's afraid to go to a doctor — she might get reported and then sent back to the labor camp."

In Tashkent, where they spent three nights, people "were so scared they wouldn't let us take their pictures," Brounstein said, adding that they feared that the KGB would somehow get them and then harass them.

He said it was a different kind of Jewish community. In the city, which boasts a Jewish population of 50,000 and four synagogues compared with Moscow's one, "We didn't encounter any Refusenik community organization .. there was no studying of Hebrew or culture."

During their 3-night stay in Tbilisi, they said the people were warm and friendly on the streets — unlike Moscow. There is no innate anti-semitism in Georgia and people there are not harassed, don't lose jobs and friends when they decide to emigrate, Jacobs-Brounstein said.

"Their lifestyle doesn't change like it does in Moscow."

The only time the Toronto couple split up was in Leningrad. Brounstein explained that a group of seven Refuseniks were protesting in front of the Smolny Institute, the Communist Party's headquarters in Leningrad. She went in front of the compound to take some close up photos and he lagged behind to take more general pictures.

After she took a picture, a KGB officer took her camera and a soldier escorted her out of the compound.

"My only concern was that we might not find each other ... but we did."

The couple said that after the 1-hour demonstration, the chief of OVIR, the emigration office, and an official of the Communist Party, invited the Refuseniks in to talk.

"They told us that the Soviets were talking nonsense and they got up and left. The officials made two points — Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's statement that there was a maximum of five years that anyone could be refused on national security grounds was for the benefit of the West and even if it were true, they didn't care what Gorbachev says," Brounstein said.

Nadezhda Fradkova (left) is pictured with Natasha Ratner, wife of Prisoner of Conscience Alexei Magarik.

They said the Refuseniks they met said the state security grounds are being used fraudulently and arbitrarily to deny visas. These Soviet citizens are wary of Gorbachev's new open policy and ask that the West not be deceived.

As for their general impressions of the trip, Brounstein said that for the most part the way the media have been portraying life in the Soviet Union has been fairly accurate.

"I now appreciate the difference in our ways of life and know that democracy is worth fighting for."

"These people are real life heros. I'm used to reading about them but ... it's totally inspiring fighting for democratic rights which we treasure and on a spiritual level practicing religion under an oppressive situation.

He said it was brought home to him that there's a bond that connects Jews and that "we have an obligation to help them in any possible way."

As for this commitment, Jacobs-Brounstein said she can identify with activism more clearly "because I have faces to connect with names. I feel a more real, deeper commitment."

She said it really hit home that the Refuseniks are more aware than Westerners that Soviet Jewry in the West is their lifeline — the only reason their plight is on the agenda on the international level.

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UJA Walk for Israel/Festival Day to offer more

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

The United Jewish Appeal Walk for Israel and Festival Day on Sunday, May 17 will be a more comprehensive all-embracing community event than it has been since it was inaugurated 18 years ago.

The emphasis will again be on total family participation, from toddlers to seniors, and with the tie-in of Toronto Jewish Congress/UJA Focus Week as the official kickoff, there will be more attractions for adults on the Festival site at the North Branch Jewish Community Centre.

Thanks to the input of a perky bundle of energy in the person of Helen Wolfe, there is expected to be considerable participation in this year's walk and festivities by the community's physically disabled and developmentally handicapped.

Helen, who has a physical disability, is a member of the Walk committee and for a time was volunteer co-ordinator for the JCC's Special Needs programs.

A firm believer in the integration of the disabled and handicapped in all aspects of community life, Helen Wolfe is much involved in helping to make the UJA Walk and Festival Day in all-round community happening for many who might not ordinarily turn out due to physical limitations.

'But we do not want any concessions," she is quick to add.

A UJA staff member went over the entire Walk route with a young man confined to a wheelchair to ensure there will be easy access to washrooms and determine if there are any snags to be ironed out.

The one concession agreed on was the provision of a hydraulic-lift bus which will tour the route to pick up anyone who may need transportation for part of the way, particularly the hill approaching the JCC on Bathurst.

The Walk begins at 8.30 a.m. at Earl Bales Park, with registration ending at 10.30.

The Festival runs non-stop from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Chad Gadya to Tokyo

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

What happens when a Toronto man on a business trip to Tokyo longs to be with his family for the Passover seder? He joins them by telephone, of course!

Although Allan Troster, nephew of CJN columnist J. B. Salsberg, attended a Tokyo seder, his heart yearned for his own family's large traditional, joyous seder.

According to Salsberg, Troster missed their enthusiastic renditions of Pesach songs "sung lustily by all 30 family members from infants to seniors."

He added that what Troster missed particularly was his family's version of Chad Gadya, "a song they do not allow to end abruptly but rather extend it musically for as long as breathing capacity will allow."

Salsberg says that when his nephew phoned the seder home "asking for a few bars of of his old favorite he hardly expected a choir of 30, to belt out a version of Chad Gadya loud enough to shake the walls of Tokyo."

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Organizations and People

Russian speaking Sholom Aleichem Lodge recently received its charter from B'nai B'rith Canada. Ralph Snow (second from left), BB president-elect, presents the charter to lodge president Michael Pekarsky as Frank Dimant (left), BB executive vice-president, and Michael Rosenberg, chairman of BB's Soviet Jewry Committee, watch.

Sholom Aleichem Lodge receives charter from BB

TORONTO —

B'nai B'rith Canada recently gave Sholom Aleichem Lodge, the only Russian-speaking lodge outside of Israel, its charter in a ceremony at Celebration Palace.

BB president-elect Ralph Snow made the presentation to lodge president Michael Pekarsky and Frank Dimant, BB executive vice-president, inducted the members as about 250 people watched.

A candlelighting ceremony stressed hope for Jews still in the Soviet Union.

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Loans of Judaica requested by ROM for European gallery

TORONTO —

The Royal Ontario Museum wants your Judaica.

ROM's European department, which houses the museum's small Judaica collection, is seeking objects which it can borrow for a period of two years or longer.

The goal, as stated in a ROM press release, is to gather a representative sampling of Jewish ceremonial art from a variety of European Jewish communities from 1500 on.

The museum is looking for objects which reflect the diversity of Jewish life, relating to holidays, home, synagogue and life cycle rituals.

Objects from both high and folk art traditions in a variety of media; and modern pieces by such noted designers as Schor, Wolpert and Zabari are being sought.

Ultimately, the curatorial staff hopes to create a permanent Judaica gallery as part of the new European galleries now under construction.

As proposed, the gallery would concentrate on European Jewish culture in its historical and religious dimensions. It will seek to convey the esthetic character of Jewish ceremonial objects and educate the public about the Jewish experience.

In support of this project, the museum states, the Beth Tzedec Museum has agreed to loan a portion of its collection to the proposed Judaica gallery.

The curatorial staff of the European department offers a free identification service, although it is against museum policy to put a monetary value on objects.

ROM covers all reasonable costs of loaned material, including insurance, packing and shipping, and curatorial care.

Those willing to loan Judaica from private collections should contact the European department Mondays to Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at (416) 586-5704.

Holocaust conference set

AMHERST, Mass. —

The National Yiddish Book Center has announced plans for a conference for children of Holocaust survivors entitled Our Yiddish Cultural Roots June 12-15 on the campus of Smith College in Northampton, Mass.

This conference, the first of its kind, will serve as a vehicle for participants to explore the culture of their parents, its meaning for their lives and possibilities for transmission of this culture to children, organizers say.

Plans for the program include talks on aspects of the relationship of Yiddish culture to the heritage and identity of children of Holocaust survivors.

Presentations will be given by Hannah Kliger, a Judaic studies professor at the University of Massachusetts, Irena Klepfisz, poet, teacher and translator, and Toby Blum Dobkin, folklorist and parent active in a Yiddish pre-school group, Pripetshik. Small group discussion will follow.

In addition, Rakhmiel Peltz, director of education and research at the book centre, and Aaron Lansky, its executive director, will lead sessions dealing with the history of Yiddish and the richness of literature in the language.

Filmmaker Abraham Ravett will show his films, recently screened at the Museum of Modern Art, which portray the personal search of a child of Holocaust survivors.

The program will also include Yiddish singing and a visit to the Holyoke annex of the Book Center to see and hear about the astonishing rescue of 600,000 Yiddish books.

Participants are expected from all over the United States and Canada. Limited scholarships are available.

For further information and application forms, contact Ms. Gene Zeiger at the National Yiddish Book Center, P.O. Box 969, Amherst, Mass. 01004; (413) 256-1241.

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Gala dinner to feature Jerusalem Mayor Kollek

TORONTO —
The challenges of the Third Jewish Commonwealth will be discussed by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and Rabbi David Hartman, founder-director of the Shalom Hartman Institute in Israel's capital, at a gala dinner at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 7 at the Inn on the Park.

The dinner is being sponsored by the Canadian Friends of the Shalom Hartman Institute which will also hold a leadership study retreat at the Inn on the Park Sunday, May 10.

The community is invited to the retreat's five concurrent presentations beginning at 8.45 a.m.

The five sessions feature presentations on The Rebirth of Israel and its Impact on:

- New possibilities for cooperation regarding the "who is a Jew" issue, with Rabbi Donniel Hartman, senior fellow at the institute; Rabbi Harvey Meirovich, spiritual leader of Beth Sholom Synagogue in Toronto; Rabbi James Ponet, director of Hillel at Yale University; and Rabbi Daniel Siegel, director of Hillel at the University of British Columbia.
- Christian triumphalism, with Dr. Paul van Buren, director of the Centre for Contemporary Theology at the institute.
- The need for a new curriculum for Jewish education, with Rabbi Tzvi Marx, educational director at the institute; and Noam Zion, senior research fellow at the institute.
- The relationship between synagogue and Jewish communal agencies, with Avraham Infeld, director-general of the institute; and Rabbi Chaim Seidler Feller, director of Hillel at the institute.
- Arab-Jewish relationships, with David Shipler, former correspondent in Jerusalem of The New York Times.

Following the sessions Rabbi David Hartman will close the retreat with an address entitled Jerusalem — Building a Community Amidst Ideological Conflicts.

For more information call the Canadian Friends of the Shalom Hartman Institute at 237-0446.

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NCSY to hold convention

ENNISMORE, Ont. —
Following an active year of programming, the National Conference of Synagogue Youth will hold its regional convention May 28-31 at Camp Moshava, near this small town, 150 km northwest of Toronto.

Participants from a wide variety of backgrounds will come from Ontario and Quebec, "to meet and make new friends in the spirit of traditional Jewish warmth and hospitality," says Rabbi Nosson Westreich, director of Central Canada Region.

The 4-day program, he says, will feature "full days of recreational, social and meaningful activities," and include such varied activities as swimming, boating, hiking, tennis and other sports.

Besides the camp facilities and "wonderful kosher cuisine" participants will be able to experience "an unforgetable Shabbes in the magnificent rural camp setting," says Westreich.

The convention is open to all Jewish teenagers (both public and day school students) in grades 9 to 13 and CEGEP years 1 and 2. A limited number of students entering grade 9 in 1987 will be accepted with letters of recommendation.

The annual regional convention is sponsored this year by Mr. and Mrs. George Kuhl of Toronto.

For more information or scholarship inquiry, contact Rabbi Westreich in Toronto at (416) 782-3117 or (416) 886-2385.

Two committees to advise on extended care for elderly

TORONTO —
Two advisory committees have been formed to provide advice to the provincial government in developing an extended care act and regulations to govern the standards of care in rest homes, Ron Van Horne, Ontario minister of senior citizens' affairs recently announced.

Former deputy premier Robert Welch will chair the extended care committee and the deputy mayor of Ottawa, Jacquelin Holzman, will chair the rest home advisory committee. The latter body will provide advice to the minister on the most appropriate approach to the regulation of the standards of care in rest homes.

As part of the minister's consultation process, Van Horne is inviting submissions from interested groups across the province on major issues affecting extended care and rest homes. The advisory committees will be asked to assist in the review of these submissions.

"The establishment of these two important committees is another step toward fulfulling this government's commitment to the elderly as set out in our White Paper, A New Agenda," Van Horne said.

NAHON meeting called memorable

STRATFORD, Ont. —
A variety of guests speaking on diverse topics of the day made the NAHON 2nd annual convention, recently held in this Shakespearean festival city "a memorable event," a student participant writes to The CJN.

Students from across Canada and the U.S. came to attend the 4-day meeting held at The Victorian Inn writes Carrie Freedman.

The NAHON (or North American High School Organization Network, a division of the university organization, Network) convention featured Ontario politicians Larry Grossman and Bob Rae, as well as Julius Ciss, Moshe Benzioni (Israeli consul to Toronto) and Sally Greenberg on "the most pressing issues facing Jews today."

"We're a group of students getting together to share ideas and to understand issues," convention chairperson Ruth Magder told The Stratford Beacon Herald.

"Now," writes Freedman, "we will work together and direct our energies in spreading the activist spirit across Canada and the U.S. and in bettering the Jewish situation around the world."

Jewish Family and Child Service

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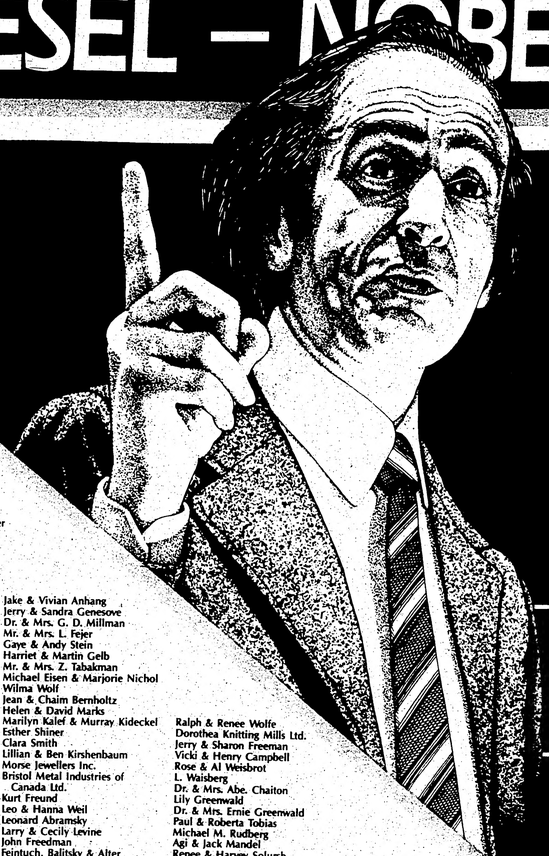

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Organizations and People

Doctor uses high technology in foot surgery

TORONTO — Spectacular advances in medical equipment have introduced high technology to foot surgery, says Dr. Sheldon Nadal, a Toronto podiatrist. He uses some of the latest in x-ray equipment, lasers and state-of-the-art instrumentation to bring relief to those suffering from foot problems.

"This new equipment and advanced surgical techniques enable my patients to experience less pain, quicker healing and minimal scarring," says Nadal.

"People who participate in leisure sports, senior citizens and even women who cannot wear fashionable shoes because of bunions or corns, are able to walk out of the office after I have performed the necessary foot surgery."

Nadal is the first doctor in Canada to possess a Xi-Scan, an 8-pound rectangular fluoroscope which offers an instantaneous x-ray image of the foot. The instrument is manufactured by Xi-Tech Inc. and is the result of Canadian and American technology. The Xi-Scan is a miniaturized version of the 400-pound fluoroscopes currently found in hospitals.

"Since the Xi-Scan is able to provide me with an immediate image of the foot's bone structure, I can use it in all phases of treating a patient," says the 34-year-old physician.

"I use the Xi-Scan to help diagnose the problem, to monitor the surgery while in progress, and to check patients while they heal. Not only does it improve precision and accuracy, but I also achieve better results."

Nadal uses the Xi-Scan in the treatment of bunions, corns, callouses, hammered toes and heel spurs. Such foot deformities are treated by minimal incision surgery. Nadal performs this procedure in his office with local anesthetic.

The Xi-Scan is used to monitor the placement of small instruments, similar to dental drills and files, which remodel and reposition the bone through a skin opening as small as one-quarter of an inch. Because the incisions are smaller, there is less post-operative pain and swelling. Casts, crutches and pins become unnecessary in the vast majority of cases.

"The patients are able to walk immediately and can return to their normal activities quite quickly," said Nadal.

Unfortunately for patients, the bulk of podiatric procedures are not covered under most health plans.

Ontario's health insurance plan pays only $13.60 for the visit and $10.25 for subsequent visits to a total of $120 per patient per year. Surgery is not covered.

Some private or company-sponsored plans cover all or part of podiatric costs.

Nadal said many people feel the benefits outweigh the disadvantage of paying. For the removal with minimal incision surgery of a bunion, Nadal charges about $750.

If you have a job where you have to get back to work, it pays because you're back to work so much sooner."

Nadal, a member of the International College of Podiatric Laser Surgery, has also had great success in treating soft tissue problems such as warts, ingrown and fungal nails with the carbon dioxide laser.

"The laser reduces bleeding and pain by sealing off the small blood vessels and nerves as it vaporizes diseased tissues," he says.

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Bloor Y dinner to honor Kamin

TORONTO — **Bernard J. Kamin, president of the Jewish Community Centre, will be honored at the annual Bloor Y dinner to be held at the Bloor branch, 750 Spadina Ave., on Wednesday, May 6.**

Kamin has been selected as "a member who has made a significant impact on the Bloor Y branch."

A member of the JCC for 14 years, Kamin is involved in other community organizations including: member of the executive committee of Toronto Jewish Congress, Canadian Bar Association, Beth Tzedec Synagogue, Royal Ontario Museum gallery campaign, alumni of Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity and is a former president of the Physical Fitness Achievement Group.

A graduate of Osgoode Hall Law School in 1961 and the winner of several prizes in the legal field, Kamin is a partner in the firm of Page, Kamin and Skryzlo, Sugarman and Dorsey.

Arts council seeks board volunteers

NORTH YORK — The North York Arts Council is seeking six volunteers to serve on its board of directors.

Directors attend a monthly board meeting and sit on at least one committee, the council states through a release.

Through this process, the council helps develop its program: organizing exhibitions, arranging poetry reading sessions, producing a film/video festival, preparing various workshops, and guiding a multi-service program. It also manages the NYAC Art Gallery.

The North York Arts Council represents 11,000 artists, individuals and those part of 75-plus member groups, in all disciplines of art, says council president, Julianna Braun.

The council is a private organization, responsible for raising its funds from business and government sources.

For more information, phone 225-4486.

CONGRESS CALENDAR OF *ADULT EDUCATION & CULTURE EVENTS* FOR MAY, 1987

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May 3	Canadian Zionist Federation, Yom Hazikoran Remembrance Service, with Simcha Dinitz, Member of Knesset, former Israel ambassador to the U.S. Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave., 6:45 p.m.
May 3	Canadian Zionist Federation, Yom Ha'atzmaut celebration, featuring Aelita and Her Orchestra, Israeli cabaret. Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St., 8:30 p.m.
May 5	Aish Hatorah presents Elie Wiesel, "Learning the Ways of Peace - Mankind's Challenge," with special guest Premier David Peterson. Reserved seating. Call 636-7530.
May 5	T'nach Study Group, Toronto Jewish Cultural Council, lecturer Joseph Shier, Zacharia, Chapters IX, X, XI. Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St., 8:15 p.m.
May 8 —10	Shalom Hartman Institute, Leadership Retreat. Theme, "Jerusalem and Pluralism" with Dr. David Hartman. Special guest, Teddy Kollek. To register call 237-0446.
May 17	Focus Week begins. Toronto Jewish Congress. For information 635-2883.
May 17	Community evening of Jewish trivia, led by Dr. Edmond Lipsitz, author of 6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People. Lipa Green Building Conference Centre, 4th floor, 8 p.m. 4600 Bathurst St.
May 17	Walk for Israel. For information, 635-2883.
May 19	T'nach Study Group, Toronto Jewish Cultural Council, lecturer Sy Langer, Zacharia, Chapters XII, XIII, XIV. Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St., 8:15 p.m.
May 20	Inaugural concert of the Jewish Music Society, Toronto Jewish Music Committee, featuring Nico Castel, Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., 8 p.m. Admission charge. For information, 635-2883, ext. 154.
May 21	Toronto Jewish Congress annual meeting, Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., 7:30 p.m.
May 25	Bernard Betel Centre, guest Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut who will review his book The Letter. 11:30 a.m. For information call 225-2112.
May 27	Canadian Zionist Federation, Yom Yerushalayim pageant and concert, with Cantor David Bagley, Ben Lennick, Mila Kanev and Rick Kardonne. Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W., 8 p.m.

Organizations and People

Used to problem-solving

Benabou devotes energy to promoting Israel

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Albert Benabou's name has been in The CJN recently. You may have noticed it in connection with a story on Israel Day at a Jewish high school in Winnipeg or regarding a new Zionist "umbrella" organization for youth groups in Toronto.

Benabou's responsibilities span the country as befits one of the country's main shlichim (emissaries). He's executive director of Youth and Hechalutz Canada, if you want to get formal.

Benabou has been in Canada only a few months, but already he's bringing his energy to bear on the Zionist youth scene, trying to encourage and develop programs that develop an enhanced commitment to Israel.

His ideas focus on strengthening the offerings at Israel program centres, located in main Jewish centres in Canada such as Toronto, Montreal, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Calgary, Vancouver and Ottawa.

Developing longterm programs is his short term goal. Benabou would like to see students and young people spending more than just a summer in Israel. There are 6-month and 1-year programs available at kibbutz ulpans, universities, he says. And there are other ways of doing sherut l'am (national service), programs he's encouraging.

"Our ideology," he says, "is to expose Israel to the youth."

At age 40, Benabou brings lots of energy to his job. A veteran shaliach, Benabou was posted from 1977-80 in Puerto Rico — an island he calls "the last Jewish ghetto in the world. You won't believe how close they are," he says.

With all of 500 families in the community, that translates into a "tremendous advantage to creating a Jewish life." They compare themselves to the larger community and they "try to do more to maintain their Jewishness. It's a total Jewish life," he says.

Benabou faces a different set of issues when considering Toronto's large Jewish population. But he's used to problem-solving. Prior to taking on the job as shaliach, he was assistant to David Levy, Israel's deputy prime minister.

In that capacity, he was immersed in the high-energy world of politics, where he "prepared materials for the decision-making process in the Knesset (such as on Project Renewal, the urban development scheme)" and he acted as "coordinator with the Jewish communities" in Europe and the U.S.

Prior to that he obtained an MA in international relations at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and he's a reserve major in the Israel Defence Forces.

Canadians should have no trouble communicating with Benabou. He's fluent in five languages: English, French, Spanish, Arabic and, of course, Hebrew.

Born in Morocco, Benabou and his family of 10 made aliya in 1962. The family decided on Israel "due to love and to accomplish a lifelong dream."

Benabou says he sees his new posting as "a challenge" — working among Jews whose political affiliations and backgrounds vary. But "the greatness of the Jewish people is in the mosaic stone," he says, "not in a monolithic stone.

"I believe in unifying forces while still respecting diversity."

Fun Run offers new twist this year

TORONTO —

This year's Speedy Muffler-Baycrest 10-kilometre Fun Run benefitting seniors fitness programs on May 10 has a new twist — a challenge run between corporate and media teams and teams of seniors.

Seniors teams of male and female runners have been recruited by Don Farquaharson, President of the World Veterans' Athletic Association.

Global Television and CFMT are among media teams entered. Invitations have been sent to 30 corporations. And Speedy Muffler King, sponsor of the Fun Run, is entering five teams.

For each team entered, corporations are donating $500 toward research and development of seniors' fitness programs. Individual runners will also be raising money through pledges. Last year over $100,000 was raised.

Funds are donated to the Baycrest Geriatric Centre for its ongoing development of seniors' fitness programs.

Several Metro Toronto public and private homes for the aged including Villa Colombo, Mon Sheong, Ira Grafton Gage, Chester village and New Horizons will also be entering teams in the Fun Run. Pledges solicited by these teams will benefit the homes for the aged which sponsored them.

The initiative is part of an outreach program of the Baycrest Geriatric Centre, whereby it shares its expertise with other institutions caring for seniors.

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Organizations and People

NCJW plans home for battered women, children

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —
Plans are under way for the establishment of a Jewish home for battered women and their children by the National Council of Jewish Women.

NCJW Montreal president Edie Chervin believes the shelter would be the first of its kind in Canada. The proposed home is to be for all women, not only those who are Jewish, but will be kosher and follow traditional observances of the Sabbath and Jewish holidays.

Shelters are a refuge for the wives and children of violent, abusive men. Their whereabouts are usually kept secret.

Chervin and the project's initiator Miriam Charron, a NCJW vice-president, say rabbis, Jewish Family Services and other social workers, inside and outside the Jewish community, have told them that wife-battering exists among Jewish families without distinction as to religious and socio-economic background and that there is a definite need for such a shelter.

While statistics are hard to come by, Chervin said, "It's a myth that Jewish men don't beat their wives."

"There are Jewish women who are going to Catholic shelters, and others who do not go anywhere because they would not be comfortable outside a Jewish environment," Charron said.

While the project has received letters of support from many people in the community, it is still lacking premises. Charron said the NCJW is looking for a philanthropist to donate a house. The plan is for the shelter to be able to accommodate a maximum of five women and their children (assuming no more than three per mother).

Edie Chervin

Miriam Charron

Charron estimates that the cost of running the shelter, which is to provide professional counseling will be between $300,000-$325,000 a year, which is expected to be largely covered by government funding. The NCJW is also approaching private foundations and corporations for money.

The NCJW intends to administer the shelter for the first couple of years until it is firmly established and then hand it over to the community.

If not house has been found by the target opening date of September, 1988, Charron said a shelter, on a smaller scale, will be set up in a basement or other temporary location.

The project will be officially launched May 13 at a program at Beth Zion Congregation at 7.30 p.m. Leticia Cox, director of the Argyle Institute of Human Relations, a Montreal family counseling centre, will speak on The Healing Process. The Beth Zion's Rabbi Sidney Shoham will also discuss the issue and the film Loved, Honored and Bruised will be shown.

Charron began to think about the creation of a Jewish shelter after the murder a couple of years ago of Donna Rose, a young Montreal Jewish woman, by her estranged husband. "I just felt this should not happen to another woman," she said.

Last June, the NCJW joined with B'nai B'rith Women and Na'amat Pioneer Women in organizing a conference on wife-battering, which was addressed by Quebec Justice Minister Herbert Marx and other persons directly involved with the problem.

The NCJW has had experience in setting up other innovative projects in Montreal, Chervin noted, such as the Boys' and Girls' Library, Kosher Meals on Wheels, and the Caring Centre, a nursery with senior citizens as volunteers where the children's parents can receive guidance as well.

The shelter project, however, will likely be the biggest ever undertaken, Charron said, and volunteers to work in all areas of its organization will be welcome. Phone the NCJW office, 733-7589.

Decisions by Israel criticized by professor

BY
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —
The current political situation in Israel suggests a series of faulty decisions, lack of leadership, and a refusal to take responsibility at all levels of Israeli administration, said Dr. Yosef Lapid, a visiting professor of international relations at Ottawa's Carleton University. "Yet, there is a golden opportunity right now that Israel cannot miss."

Lapid was speaking at a recent lecture at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, sponsored by the Ontario Region of the Canadian Zionist Federation and by the Israel Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region.

Discussing the Pollard spy case, Lapid lamented what he called a "gross misunderstanding of the U.S. political process by Israel." They had the naive expectation that the Executive would hush the matter up, not understanding the division of power in the U.S. political system."

As well, he feels that Israel did not realize that "if there is one thing the U.S. hates more than espionage it's a cover-up," and so Israel's attempts to contain the damage aggravated the situation further.

The same situation applied in the Irangate affair, he said. "Israel should have seen that supporting the executive against the stated policy of Congress would create a serious problem, and alienate all her traditional supporters."

Lapid also expressed concern about the lack of debate over supporting Iran's Khomeini regime, in hopes of maintaining support with the moderates who will supposedly gain power there after his death. "I am afraid that there is a basic lack of understanding of the significance of the rise and expansion of Islamic fundamentalism in the Arab world," he said.

Lapid also criticized the attempt to cover up the killing of Arab terrorists after their capture. "The issue of control, supervision, and accountability was not debated," he said.

The National Unity Government, according to Lapid, functioned very well on issues on which the parties could agree, such as the economy and the withdrawal from Lebanon. Difficulties arose when it became necessary to always reach a consensus.

"Israel can't afford that luxury at this time," he said. She needs to be able to act properly and decisively.

"A strategic analysis shows Israel's position is in some ways, however, better now than it has been in the past or will be in the future," he said.

Retailers may get a choice

TORONTO —
Jewish retailers would have the option of opening their shops Saturday or Sunday if the provincial government accepts a number of motions passed by Toronto City Council.

City Council recently adopted a motion put forward by Metro Councilor Ron Kanter which would permit stores which closed on Saturday to be open on Sunday without restrictions on floor space or the number of employees. Kanter also introduced a motion which would ensure employees receive at least one weekend day off each week with a choice of which day being up to the employee.

Alderman Michael Gee introduced a motion, passed by Council, that either Saturday or Sunday be considered a pause day rather than just Sunday.

All motions were presented to the Select Committee on Retail Store Hours by Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton. The committee is examining possible amendments to the Retail Business Holidays Act.

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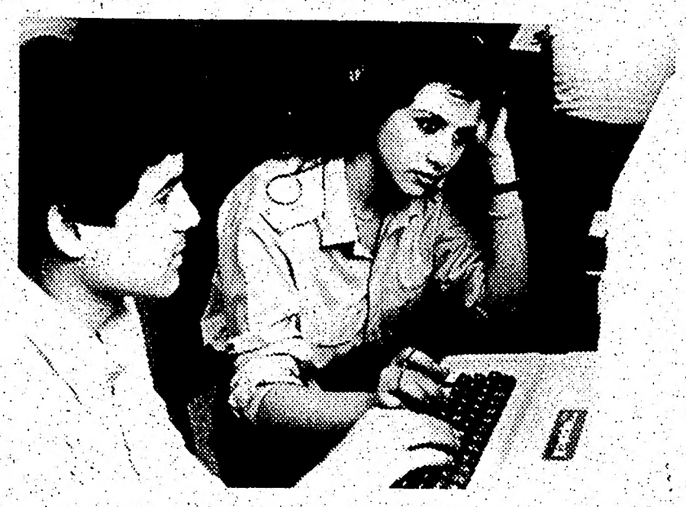

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Enjoying the Mimuna festival are (from left) Maurice Benzacar, Israeli Consul-General Benjamin Abileah, Simon Keslassy and Leon Oziel. [Graphic Artists photo]

Moroccans hold Mimuna

Wish for happiness given and received

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Terbh'ou Outsaad'ou — happiness and prosperity — was the wish given and received by Toronto's Moroccan community when it gathered for a Mimuna service and reception as the festival of Passover came to a close.

Following a service at Magen David Congregation, around 100 participants adjourned to the home of Raphael and Alice Zrihen, where they enjoyed a variety of traditional Mimuna dishes including sweets, dates, honey, milk and a chain of la mufleta. As with all Mimuna festivals, mint-green tea was always on hand.

Traditional Mimuna delicacies include Zaban, a white nougat inlaid with almonds; Mrozia, dry raisins cooked in oil and sugar with almonds; Maazun, orange peel jam, quinces, carrots and eggplant and Tmr-Maamrim, dates filled with colored almond paste.

Maurice Benzacar, vice-president of the Ontario Sephardic Association, said that as well as the Sephardic community, a number of Ashkenazi Jews and representatives from the Jewish Students Network, including leader Moshe Ronen, came out for the festivities.

"The good part was sharing with our Ashkenazi brothers," Benzacar said.

A number of Jewish community leaders took part in the festivities including Benjamin Abileah, consul-general of Israel, Charles Zaionz, chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, Leon Oziel, president of the Canadian Sephardic Federation, and Simon Keslassy, president of the Ontario Sephardic Association.

The holiday originated with the Sephardic Jews from North Africa and in recent years, Israelis of all origins have begun participating in the observance. During the evening Jews of North African origin — and in particular those from Morocco — open their houses to all and no invitation is required.

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In Israel, a crowd mingled good naturedly for over an hour at the Histradut Labor Federation centre's sports field in Kiryat Menahem as they waited for Prime Minster Yitzhak Shamir to appear for the Mimuna festival, according to JPFS.

When he did turn up, Shamir, shaking hands and greeting bystanders, told them that "the entire people of Israel have taken over the holiday." It is a holiday that calls upon us to "eliminate all dissension and strife and all that divides us," he said.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, who noted that this year's Mimuna holiday comes close to the 20th anniversary of the unification of Jerusalem, recalled that during the year before the 1967 unification, the number of people at the first public Mimuna was less than 10% of that in Kiryat Menahem.

This proves, he said, that the holiday is no longer just for the Jews of Morocco, but of the entire nation.

One elegantly dressed young women at the gathering recalled that her mother used to spend hours preparing food for guests. She herself, she said, would rather go out.

Vendors at the site did a lively business in pittot, which are forbidden during Passover. Only the soft-drink sellers, largely ignored in the bitter cold, seem disappointed, said JPFS.

Researcher found for heart trust

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
In 1978, Winnipeg businessman Myles Robinson died of a heart attack at age 52. To ensure that his untimely passing would not be in vain, several of Robinson's friends — local businessmen and lawyers — established the Myles Robinson Memorial Heart Trust to further heart disease research in Manitoba.

"We wanted a permanent memorial for our friend," said Harold Buchwald, a man well known in Canadian Jewish circles. "We wanted to either bring or keep someone of high calibre here and we wanted to attract others for training."

The researcher the $300,000 trust fund attracted is Dr. Luis Oppenheimer who came to Canada from Spain in 1971 seeking better research opportunities. His choice of specialty was influenced by his father's early death from a heart attack.

For the past six years, Oppenheimer, a researcher and surgeon with the University of Manitoba Faculty of Medicine has received $25,000 a year and is due to receive funding for four more years. The fund has enabled him to develop a computer method for measuring fluid in heart attack victims' lungs. Excess fluid kills, and manipulating the amount can mean the difference between life and death.

A married father of two, Oppenheimer spends about eight hours a day doing research and three treating patients. "The fund has enabled me to devote time to research I would otherwise have to spend earning money," said the 39-year-old doctor.

The cash goes toward his salary, which he supplements by teaching at the university and treating patients at the Health Sciences Centre. Research expenses — $125,000 last year — are paid by the Medical Research Council and Canadian Heart Foundation.

Once a year, Oppenheimer gets together with the sponsors of the Myles Robinson trust to fill them in on how he spent their research money that year in researching new treatments for heart attack victims.

"He went from being a shy young man in Barcelona to an internationally renowned researcher," said businessman Ivan Berkowitz. "He's literally saving lives," added Buchwald. "Each year, he tells us how he is progressing and he has learned to speak to us in pretty everyday language."

As a result of his findings, Oppenheimer has been asked to speak to doctors in Australia and Mexico. Research trainees come here to learn from him. "Dr. Oppenheimer has delivered in spades," said Buchwald.

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Norwegians conduct study

Acid rain-Alzheimer link "troubles" neurologist

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

TORONTO —
The results of an extensive Norwegian study linking acid rain to Alzheimer's Disease are "very troubling," says a noted Toronto neurologist.

Speaking at the annual general meeting of the Alzheimer Society for Metropolitan Toronto, Dr. Donald McLachlan said the "very powerful" study of 18,000 cases found double the incidence of Alzheimer's in areas where acid rain was most concentrated.

Acid rain causes aluminum from the environment to be released and autopsies of patients who died from Alzheimer's have revealed unusually large amounts of aluminum in the brain.

While the presence of aluminum silicates in the brains of Alzheimer victims has caused much speculation and controversy in the past, McLachlan says this study is "the first solid piece of evidence that we must be concerned about aluminum" and acid rain.

Even if an aluminum/Alzheimer's link were proven beyone a doubt, however, it would only be "part of a sequence of events" about which much has yet to be discovered McLachlan said.

But McLachlan is enthusiastic about research efforts searching for clues about this devastating disease that affects 300,000 Canadians.

"We are honing in on the Alzheimer problem in ways we couldn't have even dreamed of a couple of years ago," he said.

McLachlan was part of a panel of speakers, all staff members of the recently opened Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Clinic of Toronto General Hospital.

The group discussed the methods and purposes of the clinic, which specializes in diagnostic evaluation, ongoing medical and psychiatric care, education and support for those who care for victims, as well as training medical personnel and serving as a base for research.

Dr. Howard Karlinsky, a psychogeriatrician and head of the multidisciplinary team that staffs the clinic says "screening for other illnesses is a big part of my job."

There are several other possible causes of the progressive dementia (loss of cognitive (thinking) function) consistent with Alzheimer's — strokes, malnutrition, infection, depression, drug reactions and others.

The TGH clinic looks at diagnosis and treatment from as many angles as possible. The team includes a social worker, gerontologist, neurologist, psychologist and psychiatrist.

By learning and communicating so much in such a short time, the clinic helps reduce stress on both the victims and the caregivers.

Patients are referred to the clinic by a family physician who suspects Alzheimer's.

A home assessment by an occupational therapist is conducted before the patients visits the clinic.

The next step is a visit to the clinic where both patients and caregivers spend an afternoon.

Patients are given psychiatric, neurological and medical test, while caregivers (usually spouses or children) speak to a social worker who recommends community services and tries to determine what effects the stress of caring for the victim is having on the caregiver — and how this stress can be reduced.

A second visit includes more formal testing and a CAT scan.

Because there is no cure for Alzheimer's yet, and in fact no proven medical tools to fight the progressive and eventually terminal disease, the emphasis is on maximizing the quality of life of the patient.

To achieve this the clinic forms support groups for both caregivers and sufferers. Leslie Cowan, the social worker at the clinic says "the chance to talk to others seems to be the most helpful aspect of both these groups."

The clinic also helps arrange caregiver relief — from part-time help in the home to supervised day-care for Alzheimer patients.

The Alzheimer Society for Metropolitan Toronto relies mainly on volunteers to provide services to Alzheimer patients, their families and interested health care professionals.

Other functions of the society are to raise public awareness of the disease, raise funds, and lobby government for research and treatment facilities.

For more information on Alzheimer's disease, the TGH clinic and the services of the society, they can be contacted at 789-1123, Suite 118, 640 Lawrence Ave. W., Toronto M6A 1B1.

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Fashion

Long hair returns to give the season more feminine look

By LORI SMITH

Softer, more natural, feminine hairstyles are the trend for this spring and summer, says top Toronto hair dresser Santo Della Corte.

He explains that this season long hair is coming back and super short, cropped haircuts are definitely out.

"In my opinion, the extremely short haircuts are too stark on most women. They need to be softened. And longer hair is coming back because it is hard to create soft, feminine looks when the hair is all buzzed off."

Santo, who is the owner and senior hair designer at La Corte Hair Design and Skin Care, the salon in The Renaissance Court which is affiliated with the Four Seasons Hotel and numbers such celebrities as Cher, Valerie Harper, Shirley MacLaine, Loretta Swit, Connie Francis, Hayley Mills and Larry Wilcox among its clients, says that styles will be softened by texturing the hair using techniques such as partial perming, which gives the hair some body and wave without looking like a perm.

In addition, the longer lengths will give women greater versatility enabling them to create and achieve the popular, feminine looks.

"With longer hair a woman can have a basic blunt look to wear to the office and then for evening she can put a bow in her hair, spray her bangs a bit and create a look that is glamorous and sophisticated.

"And longer hair is great in the summer months because it can be piqued up and worn with scarves or fabric remnants for real fashion looks."

He says that the hair color to experiment with this season is red — all shades. The coloring isn't solely solid but quite often multi-dimensional, three to five different tones of red ranging from light copper gold to deep copper to auburn, all blended together to create highlights and lowlights and as a result, body.

"Depending on the direction the hair is brushed it can have a totally different look, and unlike hair coloring in the past it doens't have to look dull."

To guard hair from the rigors of sun, wind and water, Santo recommends wearing a scarf or hat if possible or slicking hair back with a gel such as those offered in the Paul Mitchell System which contain a sun protector.

Santo, a veteran of many fashion shows and whose work has been featured in magazines including Homemaker's, Chatelaine, and most recently, Finesse, is a fervent advocate of the Paul Mitchell hair care products.

He explains that it is a water-based line without the alcohol, oils and polymers that coat, weigh down, dull and dry hair. The System includes mousse, hair sculpting lotion, gel and a Supercharge conditioner which is not rinsed out of the hair.

"But it doesn't make the hair oily, flat or dull. Instead it detangles, acts as a thermal shield against dryers and curling irons and has a sun protection factor, which if you color your hair will help reduce the problem of color fade out."

Model Lisa Chiverton in dramatic hair and makeup by La Corte. (Rob Ribee photo)

New York designer offers the mini look

NEW YORK —

One of the most talented of the young New York designers is David Cameron. His spring collection covers a wide range from boldly striped minis and stretch pants to full-skirted, boat-neck dresses reminiscent of those Givenchy did for the young Audrey Hepburn back in the fifties.

In the hands of a lesser designer the mini outfits might be funky, the dresses sugary sweet. He avoids both extremes. His lines are clean. His taste is sure. He is definitely a designer to watch.

The retro look is clearly evident at Norbury and Osuna. Their collection includes smock-like dresses that swing out from shoulders to hem, short dirndl-skirted dresses and slim Empire styles.

Among the best are an Empire-waisted dress with puff sleeves and a long, off-shoulder knit number in brown and navy — a most unusual and effective color combination.

Matsuda's collection is not the least bit retro; his signature, clearly identifiable. The most striking thing about his clothes are their casual, comfortable — and weightless — look.

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Fashion

This black and white outfit is part of the summer fashion line from Gideon Oberson.

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Hadassah plans fashion show

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Choices better than ever

Fashion flair in wedding rings

The bride of the 80s has very distinct preferences. Whether or not her tastes go beyond the traditional, she will want her wedding ring to reflect her own unique style.

For Spring, the choices are better than ever. From contemporary to classic, there are gold wedding rings available to meet her desires and reinforce her personal fashion look.

According to the Gold Information Centre, there are three prominent fashion profiles evident in today's wedding ring styling, focusing on the high quality and sensuous appeal that only gold can provide.

For the *sophisticated* bride, elegance is her fashion trademark. Her appreciation of the finer things in life is apparent in her choice of a well-designed, crisply tailored gold ring.

The traditional yellow gold circlet, emphasized with shadowy effects created by sandblasting, demonstrates the impact of sculptured simplicity.

As an alternative, renaissance luxuriousness has been interpreted in a thoroughly refined and modern manner.

Satin finished gold rings embellished with fabric and lace textures beautifully complement the sophisticated bride's classically elegant lifestyle.

The *natural* bride is spontaneous and free-spirited. Her fanciful fashion look showcases femininity.

Pink, the latest accent shade for wedding gowns, also appears in gold wedding rings.

Pink gold bands highlighted with tiny colored gemstones or interlocking pink, white and yellow gold bands are ideally suited to her whimsical tastes.

An acute fashion sense propels the more *adventurous* bride to be a leader of change. Her entire wedding theme announces a daring exuberance and penchant for fun.

Creates strong statement

A bold wedding ring softened with an exotic gem creates a strong, polished statement.

There has also been a return to the geometric styling of the Forties, popular because these abstract designs parallel the dramatic fashion sense of the avant-garde bride.

Also popular are open-back gold rings reminiscent of antiquity, featuring engraved hieroglyphic designs.

In addition to wedding bands, more couples today, contemporary and nostalgic, are surprising each other with additional gifts of karat gold for their wedding day.

For example, brides are finding such gentleman's classics as gold coin cufflinks, nautical inspired tie-tacs and collar bars, and streamlined pocket watches for their grooms.

Yellow gold is being combined with polished Burmese teak, stainless steel and plaited leather to complement his comfortable, casual clothes with an elegant touch.

Grooms know that a gift of real gold can mark a wealth of sentimental occasions and can be the start of a beautiful gold jewelery collection.

Multi-dimensional earrings and large graphic brooches complement the streamlined silhouettes and fabulous fabrics that dominate Spring fashion.

Gold chains with interesting clasps are loved by fashion-conscious brides who wear them in multiple, and bold bangles with grain-type finishes are also favourites.

The 1987 bride is an individual with very distinct preferences. She looks for a gold wedding ring to underscore her fashion style.

And because gold endures, she knows it is the perfect way to cherish the memory of her wedding day.

Oops! wrong picture

In the February 19 issue of The Canadian Jewish News, a story was published in the Fashion section, entitled, Khaki the color for footwear. The story, about The Shoe Bag on Eglinton Ave. W. was accompanied by a photo. Unfortunately, the photo shown was not of The Shoe Bag and the shoes were not representative of those carried by the store. The CJN regrets this error. (The correct photo was shown in our April 23 special Festival of Fashion supplement to illustrate a footwear story titled, Islands, Africa inspire spring/summer footwear.)

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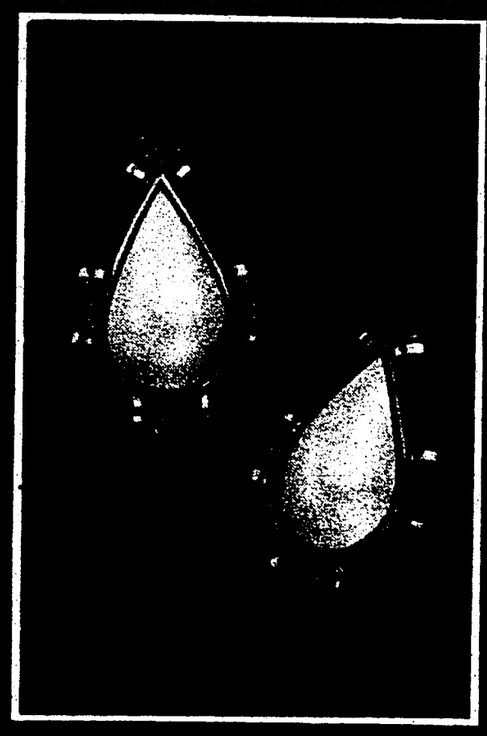

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Complice collection shows linen, denim for spring summer

By SANDRA MATTESON

PARIS —

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Linen — always a focus fabric at Complice — dominates for spring/summer with a heavy influence on black and several groups in striking shades of green, ruby red and mustard all shown teamed with black.

Denim, which found its way into many of the European collections, showed up here in ecru, teamed with a light buckskin with cowboy saddle stitched motifs or in indigo blue.

The waistline emphasis varied from long belted jackets to empire waisted shirts but the silhouette stayed close to the body.

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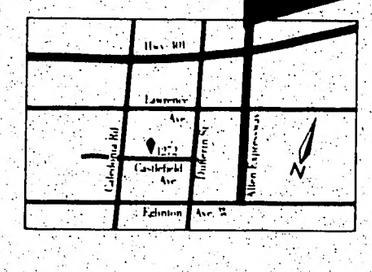

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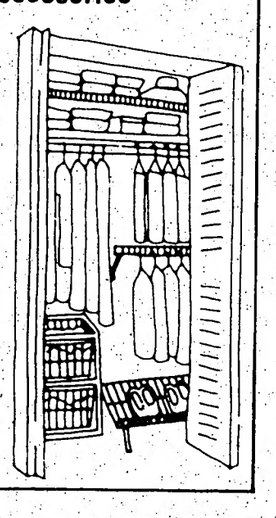

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Strauss features hothouse colors

By
LORI SMITH

In a season marked by the more sombre hues of the jungle and desert, Edith Strauss' new collection of day and eveningwear is this spring and summer's wild card — a line of fluid, elegant clothes in blooming, hot-house colors.

Strauss explains that she loves to design spring and summer collections: It gives her an opportunity to have a garden of color in her bright, airy showroom.

"I love spring and summer and I love cottons. And, regardless of the convictions and trends of the season from anywhere, my chief concern with cottons, plain or print, is that they are vibrant."

Strauss is a designer who has always been associated with bright colors as well as quality craftsmanship and exceptional choice and use of fabric. The new collection, which includes the Straussport, Executive by Edith Strauss and Edith Strauss labels, lives up to the reputation she has established in the last 25 years.

In a line that consists of approximately 130 garments, some of the most notable designs feature fitted bodices and sweeping dirndl skirts. One outfit consists of a sleeveless blouse with a dramatic wing collar in bright yellow 100% cotton paired with a waist-hugging, yoked skirt that flares out from the hip in a riot of red, yellow, royal and black.

One of her loveliest cotton dresses has a very fitted bodice with cut-away shoulders, a tear drop opening in the back, a dropped waist and a skirt that falls from the hip in an ankle-length sweep of fabric.

A similar multi-colored sundress has a criss-cross back with opening and an equally long, full dirndl skirt that begins at and emphasizes the waist. These are styles that Strauss says make a woman feel like a real girl when she wears them.

The designer explains that she likes to see full cotton skirts worn long: that tube skirts should be worn short. And, she adds, every dress becomes more feminine when a crinoline is worn underneath it.

"I like crinolines if they are beautifully made and if they are used with a long, dirndl skirt. But I don't like them when they are worn with a mini-dress.

"Crinolines need length and the trend to body-conscious designs and fitted torsos require a voluminous skirt for balance and emphasis."

This interest and adherence to the total look and line of a garment is apparent in every piece in the collection. An America Cup-inspired knit dress in white with red and white trim features an easy dropped waist, blouson top and swirling, knife-pleated skirt.

A deep fuchsia suit in cotton damask offers a more striking triangular silhouette with its narrow straight skirt and long jacket with dramatic extended shoulders. Similarly, a dress in the Executive by Edith Strauss group has a voguish T-shape and features wide shoulders with epaulettes.

However, regardless of the shape, the garments are fluid and elegant. It is the colors and fabrics that grab the eyes not abrupt cuts or breaks in the silhouette.

This spring and summer Strauss' color story is led by brilliant shades of yellow, fuchsia, jade, royal and turquoise in fabrics such as crepe de chine, linen, cotton and wonderful silk jacquards made exclusively for the designer in Como, Italy.

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Designers create timeless pieces

The spring/summer collection of Paris Paradox is the brainchild of precious jewelry designer Beni Sung and mixed media sculptor Ian Leventhal.

The design team are the odd couple. If opposites attract then this duo epitomizes the adage.

Sung is controlled, cool and elegant, Leventhal is a self-confessed lover of kitsch. Here too, eastern philosophy meets the west.

In the highly competitive world of fashion jewelry, Sung and Leventhal are being heard and are making it by design alone as faux jewels' new major direction is towards the "real look."

"What we're doing takes the same time and energy that goes into the real thing. There is the same intrinsic value in the design and artistic input," says Sung.

Recently Sung won honorary mention in the New York Intergold competition for earrings which were originally designed for the latest Paris Paradox collection.

And so Sung and Leventhal's combined talent and cross pollenization have allowed them to establish a new dimension in this field.

"I feel that fashion costumers want timeless pieces. There's no reason why faux jewelry should be trendy with a short life span," says Leventhal.

With the trend this season towards feminine, often skin-baring clothes, their accessories follow the fashion with the scaled-down look of expensive jewelry. Paris Paradox's grouping complements the latest fashion stories from Europe's major centres.

The results of their work also show their artistic interest in texture and color.

Materials used are rhodium, enamel, crystal and sandblasted lacquer stones while finishes include high polish, matte, antique and brushed gold and silver metal.

Colors follow the fashion charts. There's a great emphasis on black (Sung's favorite color). Black appears with white, navy, gold and silver. The collection also includes turquoise and silver, red, safari, ivory, topaz and gray with pink.

The overall theme is called Lost Worlds and refers to ancient cultures with names like, Inca Treasures, Aztec Shield, Ancient Greek, Saturn, Cleopatra, Sun Gold, Sung Dynasty, Neptune Conch, Shedba, Thousand Island, Egyptian Grid, African Chevron, Renaissance Shell and Mount Olympus.

The line is available at major retailers across Canada including Simpsons, Liptons, and, specialty fashion stores.

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Arts

Zestful jester of dance turns to tragedy

David Allan readies 40-minute ballet titled Masada

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Around the King St. studios of the National Ballet of Canada, they call him the Jewish wunderkind.

He's David Allan, the double-barreled whiz kid of Canadian ballet, who has vaulted to the top of the troupe in two highly specialized skills.

As a soloist, he's carved out a reputation for himself portraying comic characters, He's the short, curly-haired, olive-skinned dancer, with the angelic smile and the mischevious green eyes, noted for bringing wit or Chaplin-esque pathos to his roles.

Balletomanes roar with laughter at the mere recollection of the parts he has made his own — the churning Puck of Ashton's *The Dream;* the roguish Pussycat of *Sleeping Beauty;* the snoozing Dormouse of *Alice;* the catapulting Clown in *Swan Lake;* the strutting maitre d' Maxim in *The Merry Widow;* and Alain, the shlemiel goofball with a heart, in *The Pampered Girl.*

But it's his talent as a choreographer that has brought international fame to the 30-year-old Allan. Over the past five years, he has created 16 ballets, five of them becoming permanent works in the company's repertoire.

They include *Pastel,* a cheeky, upbeat piece to the music of Chick Corea; the brilliantly showoffy *Khachaturian Pas De Deux* specially created for Veronica Tennant and Serge Lavoie; and *Villanella,* a poignant piece about a fading Renaissance street singer, which stimulated the New York Times critic to acclaim it as "a work with a feel for craft and pacing."

"Lots of Jewish saychel"

Now the zestful jester of dance has turned to tragedy in what he considers the most ambitious major work of his career. He says it has "lots of Jewish *saychel.*"

He has choreographed a 40-minute ballet titled *Masada,* featuring a cast of 28 dancers, which will have its world premiere May 2 at the O'Keefe Centre.

It's inspired by the epic story of the mountaintop fortress Masada that towers above the western shore of the Dead Sea in Israel. It was here that Eleazar Ben Yair, the heroic leader of the Jewish Zealots, helped his followers withstand an 8-year siege.

When the Roman Legion storms the stronghold in a final assault, they find that the Jews, in an ultimate act of defiance, have killed each other, rather than die dishonored as slaves.

"But there's no 'woe-is-us' doom-crying or breast-beating in my ballet," says Allan. "I see it as a celebration of life. It shows that, despite all the odds, we Jews have survived for centuries through our wonderful sense of togetherness. It's that great clannishness that keeps binding us together."

Allan maintains this is true for him personally, even though he comes from a broken family.

He talked about it freely in a CJN interview at the National Ballet studios before warming up for rehearsals. He's a bubbly, zestful fellow, just 5-foot-7 tall ("like Baryshnikov"), who chainsmokes a pack a day, regards himself as "a Pisces daydreamer with an artistic temperament" and "a workaholic who loves working at my craft 20 hours a day."

He was born in Boston and raised in St. Louis by his Orthodox grandparents from Poland and his devoted mother Alice, a makeup artist and jazz dancer.

David Allan

He was a precocious kid, surrounded by music both in his home, where he learned to play the saxophone, and at Hebrew school, where he was a juvenile actor.

At 9, he portrayed one of Tevya's daughters in a Municipal Theatre production of *Fiddler On The Roof.* "I co-starred in it," he says jocularly, "with Robert Merrill playing my papa."

When he was 9, two other momentous events altered the pattern of his life.

He saw Rudolf Nureyev dance in a touring company of *Romeo and Juliet* and said to himself, "That's what I want to be."

The next week he saw the great comic character dancer play Puck in Ashton's *The Dream* and said to himself, "That's the role I want to play."

Five years later, he won a scholarship to study at Toronto's National Ballet School. And 12 years later, he had gained title to the role of Puck as second soloist with the National Ballet of Canada.

He calls the company of 65 dancers "my extended family — there's a closeness between us, like in a Jewish family — and I've got a good many of my choreography commissions from them."

Recently, for example, Karen Kain commissioned him to create two new works. One is *Of Chopin,* a merry duet for Kain and her husband, actor Ross Petty; the other is *A Magic Shell,* a solo piece for her set to music by Shostakovitch.

As a choreographer, Allan sees himself as an entertainer.

"We're all in the entertainment business," he says. "It's true, whether you're a fine movie artist like Steven Spielberg creating a moving character like *E.T.*, or a genius of choreography like George Balanchine creating a jazz ballet or a dance for elephants.

Allan points out that even Sir Frederick Ashton, the father of classic choreography for Britain's Royal Ballet, used to say, "The biggest sin is to bore an audience."

In the future, Allan aspires to run his own ballet school, choreograph and perform in a Broadway musical and perhaps star in a movie.

Whatever he does as he matures, you get the feeling that the Jewish wunderkind won't ever be a bore.

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TORONTO —

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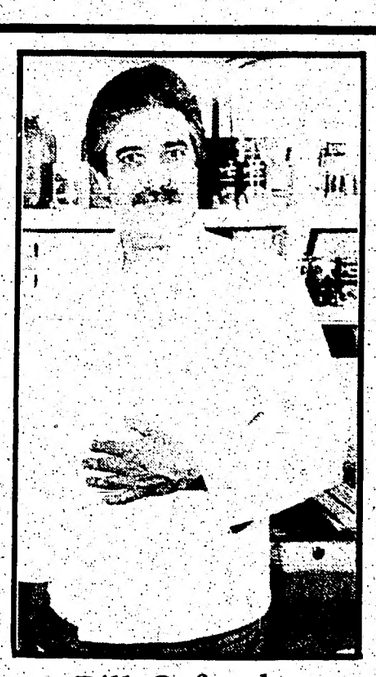

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Being At Home With Claude

Play a disturbing "love" story

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

The competition by young Canadian playwrights to grab the attention of audiences by raising the threshhold of shock seems to be growing more fierce.

I naively felt they had already reached the apex of wretched excess. That is, until I recently received an invitation to see the English-speaking adaptation of the 90-minute French-Canadian play, *Being At Home With Claude* (running until May 10 at the Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgman Ave., phone 531-1827).

According to the accompanying press release, its prize-winning author, Rene-Daniel Dubois, had been hailed by a Globe and Mail reviewer as "Quebec's most exciting young playwright." The play itself, at its Montreal premiere in 1985, was said to be "stunning, brilliant, disturbing."

I found those three adjectives certainly applied to the stunning tour-de-force performance of the lead role by Toronto actor Stephen Ouimette, who was a brilliant farceur in the recent local comedy, *B Movie*.

But I certainly could not say the same about the squalid Dubois drama.

Stated bluntly, it deals with the love life of a deranged Montreal homosexual prostitute. In its climactic scene, the street hustler confesses to having reached a sublime orgasm through anal intercourse with his college student lover. Then, to preserve the ecstasy forever, he slits his lover's throat, kisses him, and drinks his blood.

I would be the first to fight for the right of the Tarragaon to present so-called super-real plays of this kind.

But I would also be the first to raise the question: Why ask audiences to identify sympathetically with the scum of the world?

I presume that the Tarragon, which recently produced a play called *Aunt Dan And Lemon* presenting the rationale of a Jew-killer, will next offer us a light musical comedy glorifying cannibalism.

Stephen Ouimette (right) as a homosexual prostitute stars in the sordid drama Being At Home With Claude.

Playwright Fried coming for Mayworks festival

By
VIVIENNE MUHLING

TORONTO —

Emmanuel Fried is indefatigable. He is youthful, vigorous, ever available to all who call on him for help, persistent in drawing attention to everything he believes in, including his own work.

Fried is a 74-year-old professor at New York State University and is a labor activist. He runs the Western New York Playwrights Workshop and, as the entertainment editor of the Buffalo News, Terry Doran, puts it, "He is Buffalo's reigning playwright. He is prolific."

Fried will be appearing in Toronto on Thursday, May 7, as a participant in a Festival of Labor and the Arts called Mayworks, the only event of its kind in North America.

Mayworks takes place May 1-10 and will include music, theatre, films, videos and visual arts. It will take place in restaurants, theatres and art galleries, and also in union halls, on the street and in various work places.

Both professional performers and artists, and artists from within the labor movement will take part in shows that speak to, for, and about the lives and dreams of working people.

It is funded jointly by arts organizations, such as the Ontario Arts Council, and by several unions and the Metropolitan Labour Council.

Fried's contribution to Mayworks will be readings from his work in a program at the Rivoli, 334 Queen St. W., called Playwrights Speaking Out. Two of Canada's noted playwrights, David Fennario and Lillian Allen will also read from their work.

Fried wrote his first play when he was 15. He attempted to earn his living as an actor in New York. When he returned to Buffalo, somewhat disillusioned, he wrote a delightful book of short stories on Jewish themes entitled Meshuggah and other Stories.

He also wrote several novels, and for the past several decades he has written plays. They are mostly based on his experiences and observations gleaned as a union organizer during the 40s and 50s. Fried's plays present positive insights into the lives of working people. They have been performed in New York, Los Angeles, Toronto and throughout the United States.

His best known play, The Dodo Bird, has even been translated and performed in Germany. The most respected critic in Los Angeles, Dan Sullivan said of him, "No American playwright writes so knowledgeably and sensitively of labor's rank and file . . . and he never preaches. This is a people's playwright who can see the individual face."

Toronto's own Nathan Cohen, always sparing of praise, also wrote glowingly about Fried in the Toronto Star.

Fried, in his usual manner, will utilize every minute of his brief stay in Toronto. He also intends to do a little negotiating towards a joint U.S.-Canada television production of one of his plays.

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Many excellent, stimulating choices of material

Choirs give polished performances at TJC concert

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

The annual Toronto Jewish Congress concert of synagogue choirs recently held at Beth Sholom was generally characterized by a high standard of polished performance supported by, in many cases, excellent, stimulating, choices of material.

If one were to single out specific choirs as the best, they would include in order of presentation: (1) Shaarei Beth El of Oakville, conducted by Lis Manson, (2) Beth Sholom, conducted by David Bagley, (3) Beth Tzedec, conducted by Gordon Kushner, and the Tehila University Choir conducted by Michelle Green. Not a single choir in the program displayed any conspicuous weaknesses.

The Shaarei Beth El ensemble attracted particular interest because of its selection and flawless execution of three rarely heard but beautiful unaccompanied multipart hymns by G. G. Verrinder, Mark Raphael and especially Psalm 84 by Charles Salaman. The latter resembles a cultivated high early romantic sound similar to that of Beethoven or Schubert.

A polished trio consisting of Manson, Janet Brown and Gideon Tankus further accentuated the feeling of careful yet spirited salutation.

An equally polished, but more formal, identifiably Jewish liturgical sound was presented by Cantor David Bagley's Beth Sholom Choir which he conducted as well as served as lead soloist.

The Beth Tzedec Choir chose to expand upon the Jewish folk root spectrum, selecting a French-Jewish medieval dance, an unusual chassidic melody and, most commendably, Oedeon Partos' choral song Hamavdil based on Sephardi motifs.

While Michelle Green's two compositions, Tov Lahodot Lashem and Medinateinu, are not completely satisfactory to the layman, they are certainly valiant efforts, displaying a degree of creative verve.

The first above-mentioned selection has a snappy basic theme phrase, over which there is an extended-note motif which was performed by Cantor Benjamin Maissner.

For the first minute this counterpoint sounds infectiously exciting, but is then over-repeated. One suspects undue influence from the minimalist style of Steve Reich or Philip Glass.

Likewise, the Medinateinu suite contains some highly interesting choral arrangement ideas which are again over-repeated without further unifying melodic development which would impart emotional compulsion.

The concert opened with the Shaarei Shomayim boys choir conducted by Robert Gasner with Cantor Harold Klein as lead singer. The development of a fine boys' choir has been Klein's specialty. It is hoped that this choir will open all future annual synagogue concerts.

Following the Oakville ensemble, Edith Narvey Komisar's Heritage Singers performed some folksy standards, followed by Srul Irving Glick's Beth Tikvah choir rendering three Glick originals and Shlomo Carlebach's Adir Hu.

Of interest was Shiri Li Kinneret, by Oded Feldman, Miri Miran and Rami Keyder, performed by soloist Charlotte Krebs with Charles Heller's Beth Emeth Zemer Chorale. This major key anthem has a minor influence of 1970s rock opera styles.

It was unfortunate that a program change for Beth David's single selection was announced so imprecisely, because whatever the piece was, it was extremely well-performed by both Cantor Hesh Mayersdorf and choir.

The Holy Blossom Temple Singers under Maissner performed two renaissance Jewish works while the Temple Sinai Choir under Ben Steinberg repeated two selections from its Generation Before program. At the end, all choirs together sang the most popular song — El Yivneh Hagalil.

Next year, the concert should begin at 7:30 instead of 8 to prevent a minority from walking out before the end of the program, which this year was quite late for a weeknight.

Street Smart a tough, savvy, satisfying film

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Street Smart is tough, savvy and thoroughly compelling.

A viewer can quibble with the immoral ending, but cannot criticize much else in Jerry Schatzberg's film.

Starring Christopher Reeve, who played the title role in the Superman saga, *Street Smart* is about two worlds that collide with disastrous consequences.

Jonathan Fisher (Reeve), an ambitious freelance reporter, promises his demanding magazine editor (Andre Grogory) a 2,000-word story on a Times Square pimp by Monday morning.

Fisher is a gambler: He doesn't know any such person, and he has just a matter of days to find one and compose the story.

With time running out, he fabricates the tale. The editor loves it and runs it as a cover story. Fisher becomes a media celebrity, and then his problems begin.

Fisher's editor asks to meet the fictitious Tyrone, and the district attorney, thinking Tyrone resembles Fast Black (Morgan Freeman), a pimp he wants to put away on a murder charge, tries to subpoena his non-existent notes.

The plot thickens when Fisher becomes involved with Punchy (Kathy Baker), one of Fast Black's hookers, alienates his girlfriend and angers Fast Black, alternately sadistic and charming.

Christopher Reeve and Mimi Rodgers in Street Smart.

David Freeman's fast-paced, gritty script is distinguished by sharp, pithy dialogue.

"I want to know what it's like to be you," says Fisher to Punchy. "The guys who come in here, what do you think they're looking for?" Retorts Punchy: "The Holland Tunnel."

The talkative Fisher persists. "What's the weirdest thing a guy ever asked you to do?" Punchy's punchline: "Talk."

When Fisher's editor visits him in prison, he compares him to a Prisoner of Conscience, declaring, "Your moral courage sells magazines."

Street Smart, **which was filmed in Montreal and New York, is adept at depicting the high-powered world of a restless reporter and the savage universe of a vicious procurer.**

Reeve is particularly good at portraying a man who compromises what principles he has for the sake of an ephemeral article and who then sells his soul to avoid further complications.

Freeman is a marvel, an actor who gets into the skin of his character and makes you think he has never been anything but a slimy pimp.

Street Smart, now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, ends on an immorally disquieting note. But the film is so satisfying that one can begrudgingly ignore that failing.

Applause opening at the Posluns

TORONTO —

The glitz and glamor of backstage backscratching is unveiled in full panoply in *Applause*, the Broadway musical based on the 1950 movie *All About Eve*, which opens May 6 at the Leah Posluns Theatre.

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As though born to role of princess

Kimberly Glasco shines in fairytale Sleeping Beauty

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

The National Ballet of Canada's spring season opener at the O'Keefe Centre makes you believe in fairytales again.

It's that 200-year-old balletic classic, *Sleeping Beauty*, originally created by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikowsky and the Russian Imperial Ballet's choreographer Marius Petipa, two geniuses also responsible for *Swan Lake* and *The Nutcracker*.

Its choreography was specially revised for the National Ballet in 1972 by Rudolf Nureyev. He also played the role of Prince Florimund, whose kiss awakens the sleeping Princess Aurora from a spell cast 100 years previously.

Its revival here was as enchanting as the enchanted forest and the fairytale palace in a faraway kingdom where all this exquisite fantasy takes place.

The music is as lustrous as ever, the costumes are gorgeous, and the scenery sumptuous.

As in a good fairytale, it was a personal success story for Kimberly Glasco. The National Ballet School graduate, newly promoted to the title of principal dancer, made her debut as the 16-year-old princess, and it was an incandescent portrayal.

She reminded me of the young Audrey Hepburn as the princess in the movie *Roman Holiday*.

The moment she made her entrance, gliding down the stairway of the palace on her 16th birthday, radiant in her coronet and wreathed in smiles, Glasco made the part her own, as though born to play the role of a princess.

She was by turn youthfully dewy-eyed, regal, and coquettish, as she flirted with the four royally bewigged suitors who presented her with flowers and spun her around like an elegant top in her tiptoe dance.

Kimberly Glasco in the title role of Princess Aurora scores a personal triumph in Sleeping Beauty at the O'Keefe Centre.

It was something of a personal triumph too for Frank Augustyn, the veteran principal dancer from Hamilton, who has been on sick leave for 18 months due to a serious knee injury. He made his comeback in the role of the prince.

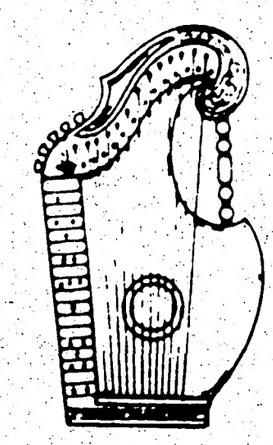
Although somewhat stiff in the second act — perhaps because Nureyev's choreography called for him to execute a dance while burdened with high leather boots — he redeemed himself in the third act. Augustyn then made princely leaps and jumps with a panache that would doubtless have won the admiration of Nureyev himself.

Glasco's stunning debut seemingly inspired other veterans in the troupe to dance at their peak form. Kim Lightheart, the first soloist from Thamesford, Ont., was a standout in a tiny role, flitting around like a funny firefly in a tinkly little dance number.

Other scene-stealers were Victoria Berthram, the Toronto principal character dancer, who played the villainous fairy Carabosse with a broom-thumping, imperious nastiness that would have delighted the wicked witch in *The Wizard Of Oz*; and second soloist character dancer-choreographer David Allan, who drew howls of laughter as a lecherous pussycat caressing the leg — and being slapped by — Yoland Auger as a pussycatess.

My chief criticism is that three hours is too long for the production of a fairytale ballet. It was considered too lengthy when Diaghilev's Ballets Russes first presented *The Sleeping Beauty* to the Western world in 1921 at the Alhambra Theatre in London. And with the irrelevant padding in the third act, it's still too lengthy today.

Still, it's worthwhile putting up with repetitive patches of excessive dances, and I promise you won't go to sleep, because the lavish production is such a bountiful eyeful — and Kimberley Glasco such a bewitching beauty — to behold.



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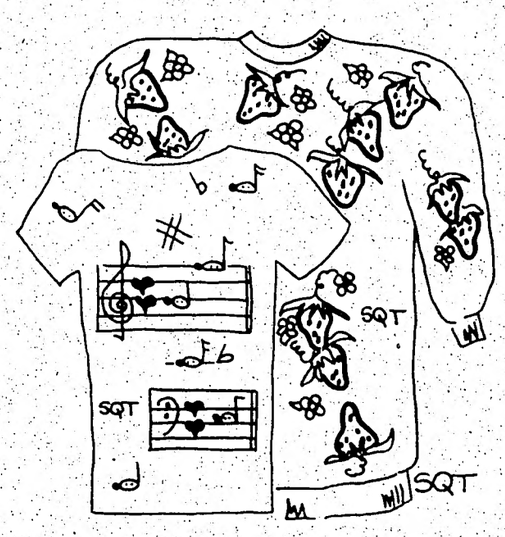

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Arts

Survey of Victorian Jewry an entertaining volume

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Victorian Jews Through British Eyes, by Anne & Roger Cowen. Oxford University Press, $74.95.

The Victorian period in England marked the heyday of such popular magazines as The Illustrated London News, Punch and The Graphic. The authors of this unusual and intriguing miscellany have selected 150 telling illustrations with commentary from the magazines to depict the image of the Jew in Britain over a 60-year period — from 1840 to 1900.

By 1880 there were about 60,000 Jews in Britain, two-thirds of them in London. Mass immigration of Jews to the country began shortly thereafter with the pogroms and anti-semitic agitation in czarist Russia.

All major issues involving Jews were discussed in the magazines. Predominant among them were the attempts on the part of Jews to enter parliament with an oath compatible with their religious conscience. This bitter and protracted struggle achieved success in 1885 when the first Jew took his place in the House of Lords.

The personality and influence of Disraeli aroused perennial interest and were the subject of numerous articles and cartoons. He was never allowed to forget his Jewish origins.

The redoubtable Moses Montefiore and his exploits on behalf of Jews in many exotic corners of the world received much attention. His 99th birthday celebration was widely heralded. This grand old centenarian was a devoutly traditional Jew but, at the same time, a famous and esteemed figure in British life.

By the end of the 19th century a growing number of wealthy families including the Rothschilds, Sassoons and their relatives, enjoyed acceptance in the social circle of the Prince of Wales and other members of royalty. They adopted the social habits of their non-Jewish neighbors even to acquiring country houses and other retreats for the weekend. All offices were open to them including civic and even military rank. "They were probably more at home in their local social environment than any other Jewish community, possible not excluding that of the United States."

Their exploits, marriages and triumphs found a prominent place in the magazines, as did the problems and disabilities of the poor and unsettled members of the Jewish community.

This handsome volume with its numerous evocative illustrations is nothing less than an informative and entertaining survey of how Jews attained an ambiguous place in British 19th century life and how the mass magazines of the day regarded them.

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One Fine Day the Rabbi Bought a Cross, by Harry Kemelman. Macmillan Canada, $26.50.

David Small, as most readers of detective fiction know, is a Conservative rabbi who serves a modest congregation in Barnard's Landing, Mass. He isn't popular with his congregation. He tends to be stubborn, outspoken and undiplomatic. He doesn't take kindly to the theological whims of his pragmatic members. But the quiet, firm, spiritual leader possesses a keen mind and if there is a mystery to be solved he is a sleuth to be reckoned with. In eight previous novels the redoubtable rabbi, through the use of his deductive insights, has astonished the local police.

In this new thriller the rabbi and his wife are off to Israel for a long-delayed vacation. He is soon immersed in a web of intrigue, smuggling and murder.

A prime suspect for the murder appears to be a young baal tshuvah from the rabbi's congregation who has become a devout yeshiva student in Jerusalem. The body that is found in an open ditch next to the yeshiva turns out to be that of tourist Prof. Abraham Grenish, a Jew with Arab sympathies, who hails from the home town of both the rabbi and the born-again Ish-Tov, nee Jordan Goodman. It turns out that some years before the young man had threatened Grenish during an altercation at the university where he taught.

The contrived mystery is not one of the author's best. The solution is fairly obvious and there are few moments of real tension or excitement. Moreover, the bits of Jewish lore and information that Kemelman introduces in all of his "rabbi" books appear, this time, inconsequential and attenuated.

The descriptions of Jerusalem are pleasant and, as always, the writing is graceful and the narrative fast-moving. But all in all, this is a mildly disappointing effort that will probably not deter Rabbi Small aficionados.

Powerful thriller grips audience raptly

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Yves Simoneau's taut thriller about an armored truck robbery that goes awry, *Pouvoir intime*, holds an audience raptly down to the last frame.

Pouvoir intime (Intimate Power), currently at Cineplex Odeon theatres, is like an old-fashioned cops-and-robbers film, but without the police.

Theo (Jacques Godin), an aging informer on the verge of leaving prison, is approached by Meursault (Jean-Louis Millette), a corrupt cop in league with a trusted government official, to rob a Brink's truck.

The official wants a bag containing incriminating documents. Theo can keep all the cash he can lay his hands on.

Theo recruits his gang — Robin (Eric Brisebois), his vulnerable, fuzzy-faced 17-year-old son; Gildor (Pierre Curzi), an old cell mate now working as a set designer, and Roxanne (Marie Tifo), Gildor's girlfriend.

Much of *Pouvoir intime* deals with their attempts to open the locked door and ferret out the stubborn security guard inside the vehicle. The tension builds slowly and without the slightest bravado, within the claustrophobic confines of a dark, dank shed filled with askew surrealistic masks and other trinkets of the theatre trade.

Marie Tifo and Jacques Godin, in particular, are arresting performers. Tifo portrays a cold-blooded woman who suppresses her fears superbly. Godin, his face ravaged and scarred, mute testimony to his poor fortune, oscillates between skepticism and euphoria as he valiantly tries to salvage what is left of a botched robbery.

The final scene is somewhat incongruous, even jarring, but it does not diminish *Pouvoir intime's* intrinsic power.

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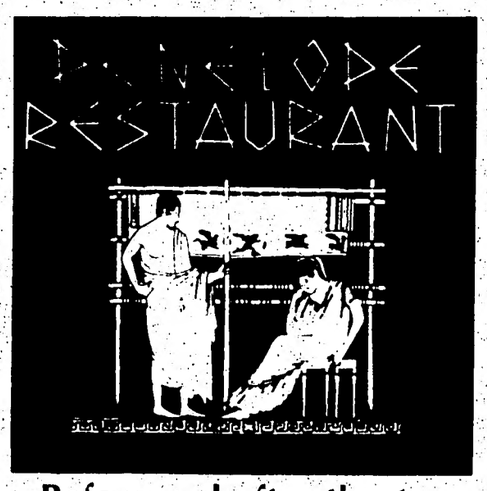

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Port Royal is only one of many NS historic sites

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

PORT ROYAL, NS —
This is where Canada's history and settlement started in 1605. It is located on a protected inlet from the Bay of Fundy. Here Samuel de Champlain and a group of French settlers built log cabins to spend their first winter in the New World. Today that first settlement north of what is today Florida, where the Spanish settled, has been completely and authentically restored with log cabins with clay between the logs and fieldstone chimneys.

The restored Port Royal Habitation is open all summer till mid-October, the grounds all year. If you manage to spend a week in Nova Scotia, you qualify for membership in the Order of Good Cheer, the social club Champlain founded in Port Royal in 1605.

Like Port Royal there are many more historic sites in both Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. For instance, at Baddeck, NS, on Cape Breton Island, is the Alexander Graham Bell Museum where all Bell's inventions are on display in an unusual tetrahedron-shaped building. Bell had his summer home at Baddeck and is buried on the hillside overlooking the lake where one of his young aerial experimenters, J.A.D. McCurdy, flew the first airplane in the British Commonwealth on Feb. 23, 1909.

The museum houses Bell's inventions in aviation, to aid the deaf, in hydrofoil transportation, telephones, medicine and the iron lung. The museum is open till mid-October.

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In Charlottetown, PEI, you walk up well-worn steps in the almost 150-year-old provincial legislature to step into the room where in 1864 representatives of the various British colonies in what is now our Canada, sat around a large mahogany table to discuss confederation. You can't sit around the table, but stand about it, as its story is told by guides who are on duty here all year.

Considered by many as one of the most scenic eastern national parks, is Cape Breton Highlands National Park at the northern tip of Nova Scotia. This is an area of fine motor roads among the hilly region, and never far from the sea. It is an area of hiking trails, sand beaches, salt water swimming, campgrounds as well as small hotel and motel accommodation.

A section of the Cabot Trail in Cape Breton Highlands National Park, Nova Scotia.

Near the other end of the province is Kejimkujik National Park, with small lakes, canoe routes, hiking trails and campsites. It was chosen in this gently rolling area to give you a wilderness experience. There are river tours, guided nature walks, and even bicycle trails.

Then there is Prince Edward Island National Park along the north coast of PEI. Here you'll find good sand beaches, old homes turned into small hotels, historic homes like Green Gables where author Lucy Maud Montgomery wrote her famous Anne of Green Gables stories, tennis courts, golf links and camp grounds.

One of the most massive of Canada's historic buildings is the Fortress of Louisbourg at the northeastern tip of Nova Scotia. Built by the French in 1719 to repel any invasion of English from the colonies in what is now the New England area of the United States, the stone fort and the town with a French settlement, has been largely restored to its splendor when the British finally captured it in 1758.

The British systematically destroyed it in 1760 to prevent a French return. In recent decades it has been authentically restored at great expense. You can visit it all summer with guided tour or voice-recorded self-tour, to see the officers' quarters as well as that of the ordinary French soldiers. You'll find it was a very drafty place with winds coming in from the Atlantic Ocean.

As you travel the highways and byways of Nova Scotia you'll come across the village of Grand Pre on the province's western coast. Here is the monument to Evangeline, one of the 2,000 Acadians expelled by the British in 1755. Here in Grand Pre National Historic Park is preserved the story of how the French settlers were uprooted and sent to today's Louisiana. Some came back and settled once more in this area. The story of their expulsion was made famous in Longfellow's 1847 poem Evangeline.

But history is not confined to out-of-the-way places in these two Atlantic provinces. Halifax Citadel National Historic Park, for example, is a massive star-shaped stone fortress overlooking Halifax Harbor, first built by the British in 1749. It has never been needed in war, was a prisoner-of-war site during World War I and a command site for anti-aircraft defences in World War II. Today you walk its ramparts and see the military uniform exhibits inside its walls.

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Travel

Businessmen take part in a kiddush

Bangkok's hustle, bustle pounds away at senses

By
RENATA DRTINA

BANGKOK —
Arriving in the Thai capital at night fills one with more than ordinary anxieties. The city is weakly lit and with apparently no other choice, one is placed in the hands of a limo driver whose only words of English are "they gangsters."

By early morning the pace of a congested city is already extraordinary. Bangkok is now tropical glare, heat and business activities. Ordinary life is led on the sidewalks, both for the seller and the buyer.

The day's goods are laid open for the inspection of passers-by. Pineapples, papayas, mangoes, bananas, mangostines, a variety of nuts, wrapped and unwrapped, diced, sliced, chunked or quartered, fresh, cooked or dried, spiced, sugared or salted, accost the eyes and nose from everywhere. The items hang from the awnings, from door posts or the vendor's own chair where he barters during the hottest hours of the day.

Amid all the edibles there is much else sold: flowers, hardware, furniture, sandals, tires, tools, T-shirts, train tickets, rubies, silks, antiques, belts, wallets and personalized tours.

Over the frying and hammering, the fuming exhausts and incessant horn blasts of the 1-way transportation system, is an uninterruptible sense of confusion and an alarming recognition that speed is a necessity.

The Tuk-Tuk, a 3-wheel motor rickshaw, takes one across town at a toppling rate, while one sits, clutching to the sides, at the graying level of all bus and truck exhaust pipes which are overwhelming at all times.

There is no time to breathe even with a handkerchief across the face because one has arrived dazed and perspiring.

"Where now is 121 Sai Nam Tip Road?" Not far, we are reassured. The heat of the day has mixed well with the dust and a fine solution continues to slide down our backs.

It is about 40 degrees Celsius with a humidity reading unpublicized. A helmeted policeman outfitted in dark woolens attempts to appear in control of the blasting traffic around a drilling site.

We walk a plank across the turbulence, pass all types of gem shops, most of which are already closed, attempt to scamper across the street, and looking for the numbers on the building we walk quickly down a deserted passage to an unidentified door.

Inside, prayer has already begun. . . . Several faces look up, smile and point to a chair. It is cool and quiet and invitingly restful. Behind some lace two women sit holding on to their children. They are fresh, perfumed and unperturbedly absorbed in small talk.

The 20 or so men pray on in silent acknowledgement; another walks in, puts on his kipa and sighs into a chair. Some familiar smells escape the slightly open kitchen door and cannot help but inspire the tiny room with appetite and expectancy.

After prayers two tables are swiftly pulled together and set with white cloth. Bread and wine are placed and the chant of grace and gratitude reverberates with a harmony of different backgrounds and nationalities.

The tables are filled with international preferences from tuna salad to spiced goat and rice curry to Thai-style chicken and vegetables. After all it is an international occasion.

Businessmen from all over the world are drawn to take part in a kiddush while in Bangkok at this hospitable address. All are welcomed to share themselves and their common spirit in these tiny quarters with its abundance of food and potential friends and business contacts.

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The special events include:

• Tin Lizzies and Rumble seats (June 14) — Over 100 antique cars will be featured at the judging meet of the Historical Automobile Society of Canada.

• Multiculturalism — A Rural Perspective (June 15-Sept. 7) — This unique exhibit highlights many of the contributions made by various cultural groups to life in rural Ontario.

• Canada Day Celebrations (July 1) — A "Farmer's Pic-Nic" is featured with traditional music, games, prizes and food.

• Great Canadian antique Tractor Field Days (July 25-26) — Antique Canadian-built tractors, gas engines and steam engines will be seen in action together with a "threshing bee."

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• Harvest Fair (Sept. 13) — An old-fashioned country fair will be recreated with craftsmen at work, food and livetock judging and entertainment for the entire family.

The museum is located on Tremaine Rd. To get there from the 401, take Exit 312 or 320B north to Regional Road 9 to Tremaine and turn south. From the QEW, take Highway 25 north to Derry Rd. and turn west to Tremaine and then north to the museum.

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Jewish connection found on trip to New Zealand

By
IRWIN MICHAEL

TORONTO —

When one thinks of New Zealand, images of kiwi fruit, multitudinous sheep, colorful Maoris and picturesque scenery come to mind. During a recent business trip, however, I discovered a significant Jewish connection.

Flying CP Air from Toronto to Honolulu and changing planes with a stop in Fiji, I arrived in Auckland, New Zealand's largest city. After concluding several days of meetings, I flew to Christchurch to embark upon a 12-day organized tour of the country.

As luck would have it I arrived in the city about three hours early. I checked into my hotel and decided on an eclectic walking tour.

Christchurch (with a population of over 300,000) is truly a beautiful city — very English with magnificent flower gardens, old architecture and a very peaceful winding river.

While "free-touring" the city with no particular route in mind, I happened to wander near the intersection of Leiceister and Montreal streets where to my surprise, I found the Beit El Synagogue, a rather imposing edifice. An inscription on a stone pillar gave its founding date as 1881.

While I was quite fascinated and wanted to learn more, the entrance was closed and the synagogue was locked.

Unfortunately since my tour was soon to leave the city, I could not immediately follow up my interest in the synagogue, but on returning to Auckland, I learned some facts about the New Zealand Jewish community.

It appears that the first Jews to immigrate to New Zealand came around 1829. Many of these were English Jews primarily from London. The Jewish community was founded in Auckland in 1840 and another in 1843 in Wellington, the country's capital.

Today out of a total population of about 3.3 million people, there are approximately 3,500 Jewish New Zealanders. This figure includes over 1,500 in Auckland, about 1,500 in Wellington and pockets around the country including Christchurch and Dunedin.

But this small Jewish population has produced a prime minister (Sir Julius Vogel); five mayors of Auckland (including Sir Arthur Meyers and Sir Dov-Meyer Robinson); as well as mayors of Wellington (Ian Lawrence), Invercargill (Eve Poole) and Onehunga (Leo Manning).

The community has always supported Jewish education in which high standards are maintained. One unusual example is Kadimah College in Auckland which despite a strong Jewish studies and Hebrew language curriculum has only 40 Jewish pupils among its 32 kindergarten and 151 primary school students.

What does headmaster Hilton Rubin think is Kadimah's attraction for non-Jewish parents?

"Many belong to the Worldwide Church of God," he says in New Outlook Magazine.

"They're non-proselytizing Christians and share other Jewish features. For instance, their holy days are the same as ours. Kadimah is convenient for the parents because they don't have to pull their children out of school on those days, as they would at a state school."

The Beit El Synagogue in Christchurch, New Zealand.

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Travel

Island is land of eternal spring

More vacationers discover attractions of Madeira

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

FUNCHAL, Madeira — If you want an offbeat vacation spot, come to Madeira, a volcanic island in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of North Africa.

Christopher Columbus married and lived here. Wealthy British tourists have been coming here for generations, even have their own country club on the island. In recent decades cruise ships have been calling at Funchal, giving passengers a shopping spree for Madeira embroideries and wines.

Since an airstrip was opened here just over 20 years ago, more vacationers have discovered the island.

Your first glimpse of the island, if you come by air from Lisbon, is of its rugged peaks, the highest of which is 6,000 feet (about 1,845 metres) above sea level. Then you spot the little piece of flat land carved out of a jagged mountainside. The pilot circles the strip and sets his jet down gently on the 1,600-foot (492-metre) field. Pastel painted houses and brilliant tropical gardens are above and below the airstrip.

The 12-mile (19-kilometre) ride from the airport to Funchal with its growing number of ocean-view hotels is a sample of travel on the island. It is a roller-coaster ride, with the sea most of the time far below. The narrow road curves and follows the indented seacoast, with villages nestled both above and below it on the steep hillsides.

This is a land of eternal spring, though summer and fall the temperatures do get quite a bit higher. Here you can relax on rocky terraces at most hotels; there are few beaches on the island. You can swim in the clear ocean waters practically all year, go deep sea fishing or watch the local fishermen sail from the many small fishing villages along the coast.

You can play golf in the mountains, 2,300 feet (708 metres) above sea level, or play tennis, squash, mashie golf and croquet at the British Country Club near the seashore, just outside Funchal, a city of about 100,000 people.

Even if you only plan to stay a few days on Madeira, don't pass up a trip into the interior, by sightseeing bus, regular bus, taxi or rented car. It is an experience climbing the switchback roads to the central spine of the island, then down to the north shore which is even more rugged than the south shore with its luxury hotels.

The inland route goes past terraced hillsides where bananas, sugar cane, grapes, citrus fruits and colorful flowers grow in profusion. Because of the steep hillsides the Madeirans keep their cows in small straw-thatched stables, which dot the mountains.

Madeira is a big change for those accustomed to Florida and the Caribbean area. Hotel rates are still moderate. Sightseeing is plentiful. You can climb steep mountain streets, though it is easier to use local buses or taxis.

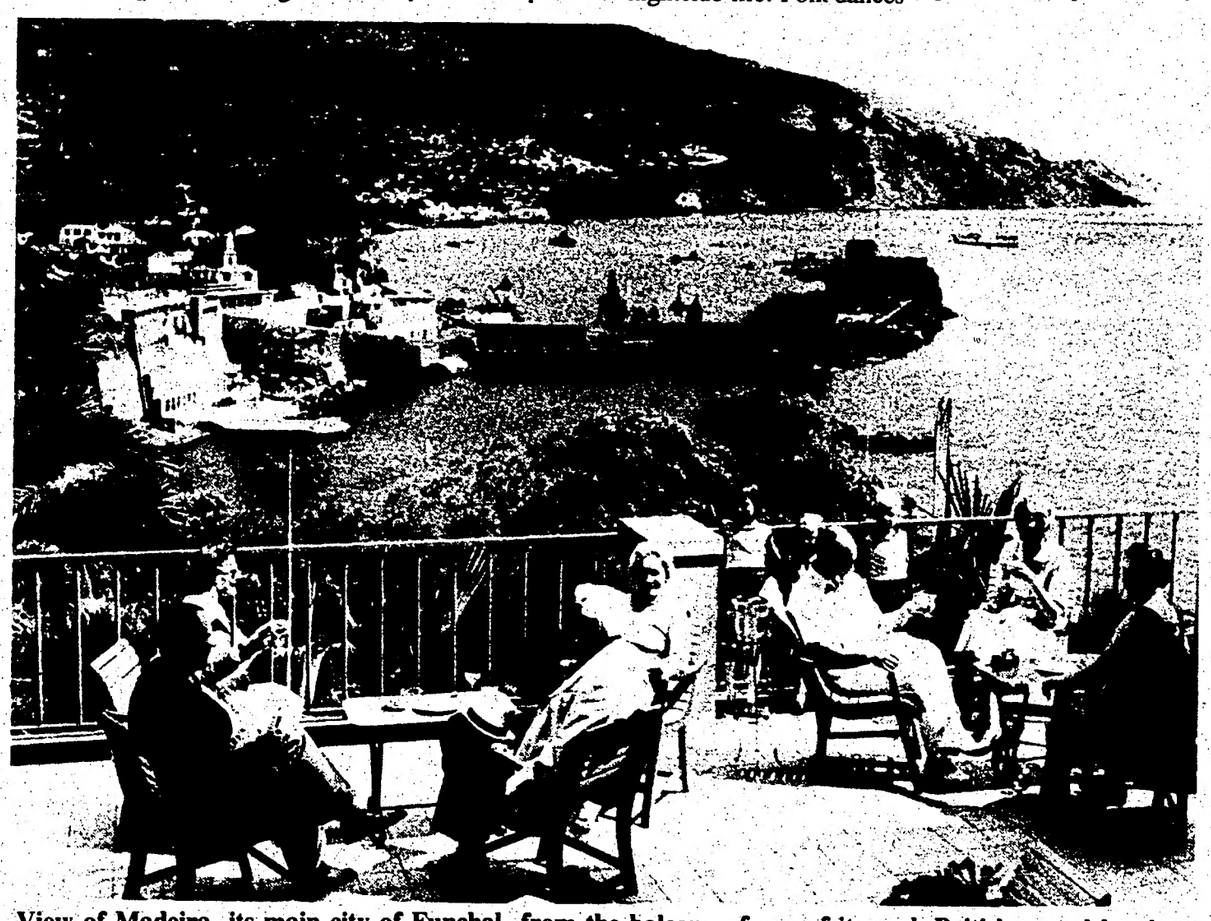
You can also go sightseeing by hammock or bullock cart. Two men carry the hammock on a pole, with you in the hammock. The bullock carts are on sled runners, pulled by a team of decorated oxen.

Most exciting of the attractions is the toboggan ride down from Monte, 2,000 feet (615 m) above sea level. The toboggan with wooden runners and a wicker basket for you to sit in, is unique to Madeira. Two white-clad natives guide the sled down the two miles (3.2 km) of cobbletone slopes with ropes, galloping alongside or standing on the wooden runners when the sled really picks up speed. The hill twists steeply from the heights, pedestrians jumping out of the way, and the toboggan being steered out of the way of motor traffic coming uphill. It's a ride you will not quickly forget.

Shopping is fun in Madeira, with prices making everything seem a bargain. The best buys are locally-made Madeira embroideries, wines, wicker baskets, wooden furniture, leather and silver articles. You can be a wine taster at the many wine shops and wineries, free sips in the hope you'll buy the merchandise.

There is a casino for visitors and cards are played every night at the hotels. There is little nightclub life. Folk dances are held in villages near Funchal and at some of the hotels.

(There is no organized Jewish community on the island, and few Jewish people live there permanently.)



View of Madeira, its main city of Funchal, from the balcony of one of its posh British-owned hotels.

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Solution is urged to need for affordable homes

TORONTO —

The 18,000-member Toronto Real Estate Board is appealing to governments, home builders, financial institutions, municipalities and community groups to make affordable home ownership a higher priority.

John Oliver, president of the Toronto Real Estate Board, says he is concerned about the future of home ownership in Metro Toronto "especially because the demand for ownership housing is expected to grow significantly for the rest of this century."

He explains that over the next 15 years, the number of people in their prime home ownership years (the 35-54 age group) "will increase dramatically," while the proportion of young adults — those people more likely to choose rental housing — will decline.

Coupled with this growing demand are the recent price increases in today's buoyant market. "People are beginning to wonder what the future holds for their children, grandchildren and themselves," Oliver says.

"Concerted action is required to increase home ownership options for first-time homebuyers, single-person households and tomorrow's seniors," Oliver says.

Oliver says that while there doesn't appear to be any quick solutions, real estate professionals believe work should proceed immediately on a number of fronts.

"For example, municipalities could make changes in their building regulations and streamline the approval process to accelerate housing production."

Oliver notes that a similar housing challenge existed shortly after World War II. At that time one of the solutions was the construction of 2-bedroom starter homes for returning servicemen. As families grew and moved away, the homes were taken over by retired couples who needed less living space.

The Toronto Real Estate Board is offering to work with interested community groups "to find solutions to the present housing problem," Oliver says. He adds that two municipalities have already invited the board to sit on housing committees working to solve the affordable home ownership crisis.

Government warns real estate brokers

TORONTO —

The Ontario consumer ministry has issued an industry-wide warning to real estate brokers and salespeople following increased numbers of complaints about questionable practices.

The warning was issued to every registered broker in Ontario by real estate registrar Al Coleclough, "as a result of numerous public complaints about questionable practices by some registrants."

"The current real estate market is very volatile and it is imperative that all brokers and salespeople perform their duties in a cautious and responsible manner. I want to remind each of them that they must make adequate disclosure on all purchases and comply fully with each section of the real estate act," said Coleclough.

Allegations of salespeople purchasing property for their own use with either no disclosure or inadequate disclosure have been increasing. Such activities are contrary to both the Real Estate and Business Brokers Act and the law of agency, he points out.

Concern has also been expressed about the number of advertisements being produced that don't properly identify the people involved in the sale. To ensure consumers are fully informed and protected, all ads must clearly show that they were placed by a registered broker. When salespeople are listed as contacts, the ad must indicate their registration status, identifying them as employees of the broker involved.

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As well as a variety of travel programs, Wise-Kalan said the service also lists a number of Jewish camps, including Wiseman Teen Tours which tours the U.S. and Europe. It was through their involvement in summer camps that Summer Source came into existence, she pointed out.

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Houses for Sale

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***NEW LISTING! BATHURST-SHEPPARD-POOL**
$249,900. Spacious 6 room bungalow. Beautifully modernized kitchen. Panelled rec room. Excellent condition. Large lot. Great location! Bea or Jack Estrin 441-2888.

***BATHURST-GLENCAIRN BUNGALOW**
$485,000. Immaculate spacious 7 rooms. Custom built for owner. Finished lower level. Self-contained apt. Prime location. Bea Estrin/A. Kirshenbaum 441-2888.

***LESLIE-CUMMER BACKS ONTO PARKETTE**
Circular stairs to walkout basement. 2 storey, 4 bdrms, 4 baths. Hardwood floors. Library, Gracious entrance. Lovely family home. Close to schools, shopping, synagogues. Renee Saks 441-2888.

***FIRST AD! THORNHILL MOVE IN CONDITION!**
5 bdrm 2 storey. Family room, fireplace. Walkout. Newly renovated kitchen. Tastefully decorated. Maid's quarters in basement. Many extras. Renee Saks 441-2888.

***YORK MILLS-HIGHLAND $539,000**
A large bungalow. Fabulous family room. Close to everything. Bert Mezo 441-2888.

***RARE FIND! OLD ENGLISH LANE $1,300,000**
Absolutely fabulous English Manor home. Laurentide kitchen, 6 baths. Family room plus den. Nanny's quarters. 134' x 152' lot. R. Blass 441-2888.

***BATHURST SOUTH OF STEELES $319,900**
Beautiful 3 + bdrm., backsplit. 3 pc. en suite. Fabulous family room. Large kitchen. Walk to synagogues and schools. 50' x 120' lot. R. Blass 441-2888.

***WINDFIELD ESTATES JUST LISTED!**
Gracious marble foyer with 2 skylights. Main floor den and family room. Fabulous master with 6 double closets and jacuzzi and skylight. Lower level offers pub-style bar. Entertaining area with inlaid herringbone wood floor. Marble fireplace. Card area. Exercise room. Maid's room + pool with cabana. Featuring kitchen and 2 pc. Interlocking driveway. Parking for up to 5 cars. Don't miss this one! $769,000 Cheryl Graff 441-2888.

***BAYVIEW-YORK MILLS $239,900**
Super starter luxury townhome. 2 walkouts. Finished bsmt. Large bright kitchen and much more! Karen Nightingale 441-2888.

***JUST LISTED! YORK MILLS $575,000**
Custom built 4 bdrm. home. Library + family room. Large foyer. Full finished walkout lower level with maid's quarters. Lovely garden and pool. Home in excellent condition. Michele Noar 441-2888.

***THE BRIDLE PATH — 2 ACRES $2,450,000**
An elegant residence tastefully renovated with the utmost attention to quality and good taste. Extensive use of marble and beveled mirrors. White custom built kitchen - fully equipped. Updated bathrooms. Superb setting with pool and room for tennis court. M. Noar/H. Feher 441-2888.

***STRATHALLAN WOOD! $679,000**
Unique custom built residence. Large principal rooms. Eat-in kitchen. Family room & den on main 4 bdrms. 5 baths, sauna + many extras. Rachel Ilany/Alyce Dlouha 488-4488.

***HILLHURST BLVD. — EXCLUSIVE $549,000**
Fabulous renovation! Marble foyer + dark stained parquet floors on 3 levels. 4 bdrms. Family room + den. Dream kitchen. Skylights! To view call Alyce Dlouha or Rachel Ilany. 488-4488

***REDUCED! BATHURST & AVA ROAD**
2 storey-3 spacious bdrms. Large living room, main bath. Finished lower level. Carole Lazar 488-4488.

***CHAPLIN-BRIAR HILL $495,000**
1st ad! 5 bdrms, 5 baths, contemporary home with unusual design! Very spacious and close to all amenities. Syma Solomon 488-4488.

***BAYCREST — 3 BEDROOM BUNGALOW**
$249,900 Updated and pretty as a picture. Lower level has bathroom, kitchen, 3 pc. and rec room. C.A.C. Jack Solomon 488-4488.

***1ST AD! BAYVIEW & YORK MILLS**
"NEW" $1,050,000. Pick your own luxurious finishings! Outstanding new custom home on pool sized lot. Impressive spiral staircase and splendid room sizes — 5 bdrms. (Master suite with sitting room), oak library, skylit sunken family room. For details please call Arelte Carmona 488-4488.

***300' LOT FOREST HEIGHTS**
$1,890,000. Unique architecture — blending a beautifully treed setting-family crafted pine kitchen, greenhouse family room with cozy hearth. Superb master suite. Delightfully different! Elise Kalles 488-4488.

***WATCH THE TRANSFORMATION!**
$825,000 York Mills-Bayview Complete renovation and addition about to take place. A unique chance to watch your home develop. Plans available. Elise Kalles 488-4488.

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***THE PAVILLION "NEW" $250,000**
Yonge-Sheppard Condo. 2 bdrms. 2 bathrooms. 20' solarium. Judy Sussman 488-4488 or 961-5858.

***AN ARCHITECTURAL TRIUMPH $7,950,000**
Most important mansion in the Bridle Path! Supremely private. 2 acre setting. Highly dramatic 3 level atrium. 5 bdrms. (all en suite) 6 room master suite. Party room overlooks fabulous indoor pool. Elise Kalles 488-4488.

***MAGICAL COUNTRY RAVINE ESTATE! $2,500,000**
1 acre of immense beauty! Walking distance to Yonge and York Mills. Tennis court-indoor pool, 3 levels of walkouts to patios or balconies. 5 bdrms. Elise Kalles 488-4488.

***BAYVIEW GLEN JUST REDUCED! $399,000**
Custom 5 bdrm backsplit on pool sized lot. Marble entry. Finished lower level. Sauna. Double garage. Great family home. S. Septor/-R. Lakef 441-2888.

***1ST AD! PRIME GERMAN MILLS**
$349,000. Sensational 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, large master en suite, family room & laundry on main, nanny's quarters, gorgeous finished basement. Shows to perfection. Barbara Kreiger 441-2888.

***PRESTIGIOUS AREA! UNPARALLED QUALITY!**
A wealth of pleasure awaits you in this 5 bdrm custom built home on large fenced lot. Great entertaining areas not to be missed. Brenda Abramson 441-2888.

***SPACIOUS! SPOTLESS! SPECIAL!!**
Demand Willowbrook offers delightful 4 bdrm 2 storey. Main floor family room. Walkout to large garden. Central air. Central vac and more! Brenda Abramson 441-2888.

***FIRST AD! CHARLTON BLVD. BACKSPLIT**
Large 3 bdrm + 2 huge family rooms with walkout. Great kitchen with walkout to balcony. Cathedral ceilings. Finished rec room. Sauna. 4 baths. Too many extras to mention. Renee. Saks 441-2888.

***BRIDLE PATH AREA! NEW LISTING!**
Executive home with impressive rooms open concept of kitchen and family room with skylight and walkout to patio. Tiered garden and pool. Main floor oak library. Totally updated with charming stained glass windows, underground sprinklers, central air and vac. + + + $969,000 Cheryl Graff 441-2888.

***NEW LISTING — YORK MILLS $429,900**
Quality built 4 bdrm, 2 storey w/o from family room to beautiful pool. B. Estrin/A. Kirshenbaum 441-2888.

***NEW EXCLUSIVE — LOWER VILLAGE**
$1,100,000. Best block of Old Forest Hill Rd.! Handsome stone & stucco 3 storey gorgeous panelled entrance hall. Huge main floor family room — walkout to lovely garden. 5 family bedrooms. Finished lower level. Marvelous opportunity! Marion Alberga/-Simone Stern 441-2888.

***LOCATION! LOCATION!**
Cathedral ceilings & space in California style 4 bdrm ranch. Family room. Study & ultra gourmet kitchen. $775,000. J. Zinman 441-2888.

***BAYVIEW & STEELES 147' FRONTAGE**
$699,000 Fabulous location. 2 storey 4 bdrm & den. Huge new white kitchen. Walkout to pool & large garden. Marion Alberga/-Simone Stern 441-2888.

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***BATHURST-CHABAD GATE**
JUST LISTED!
Immaculate 'OLD FOREST HILL" model. Finished bsmt with 4th washroom. Oversized lot. Jerry Potok.

***CHARLTON BLVD.**
Executive 4 bdrm 2 storey. 4 washrooms. Exquisite family room with open fireplace. Enormous kitchen. Circular staircase. Ceramics. Extras! Outstanding finished bsmt. Ruth Trachter.

***BATHURST-S. OF STEELES**
$329,500. Spacious 3-4 bdrms. Family room with walkout to ground level. Lovely garden. Finished bsmt. Side door. Double garage. Late closing. Vendor take back mtge. Goldie Kay 635-6677.

***BATHURST VILLAGE**
RENOVATED SIDESPLIT
A winner!! 4 bdrms on one level. 3 pc en suite. Large kitchen with walkout to covered patio. Family room with walkout to ground level. Extras! Dble garage. Suit growing family. Goldie Kay 635-6677.

***BATHURST - OFF ROCKFORD**
QUIET STREET
Gracious family home 4 bdrms on one level. Large family room with walkout to ground level. Master en suite. Large kitchen with walkout Side door. Finished lower level. Possible 5th bdrm or den. Dble garage. Convenient to shopping and TTC. Goldie Kay 635-6677.

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CONVENIENT — SUBWAY & 401
$225,000. This two bdrm. bung. on a large lot has two fireplaces, a w/o from the kitchen, modern bathroom, circuit breakers & much more! Marilyn Murl 487-4343.

YUPPIES! DON'T MISS THIS ONE!
$229,000. Carefree living in this renovated home. White kit., modern bath with sauna, fin. rec. rm., priv. dr., dble. gar. Open by appt. Call now Kim Valberg 487-4343.

IN CHOICE GERMAN MILLS LOCATION
$319,000. 4 bdrm. 2 sty. Immaculate home. Main fl. fam. rm., w/o large deck, well treed garden. Lower level w/o, games rm., guest rm., 4 pc. H. Cohen/R. Baker 449-2020.

BEST BUY! BAYVIEW/FINCH! MOVE-IN!
$329,900. Custom built/6 yrs.! 3 bdrm., lovely principal rms., professionally finished lower level could be sep. apt.! Double garage! Terry Moranis 449-2020.

YORK MILLS — PERFECT FOR A COUPLE!
$149,000. Walk to subway. 2 excellent bdrms., 1½ baths, den, rec. room, 2 fireplaces, c/a. A delightful home in A1 condition. Joan Avery 449-2020.

COUNTRY SETTING IN DONALDA AREA
$429,000. Soaring cathedral ceilings. Fabulous new kit. 3 + 2 bdrms. 3 baths. Walk-outs to ⅓ acre lot. Unlimited potential for right buyer. Beverley Poste 487-4343.

PRIVACY ★ LOCATION ★ PRESTIGE
$449,000. Sunny & spacious 3 bdrm. bung. suited to retirees or sm. family. Walk to shopp., schools, churches. Ravine setting. Manageable lot. Beverley Poste 487-4343.

BAYVIEW-STEELES GEORGIAN LARGE LOT
$449,500. Lots of curb appeal! Updated inside! Gleaming hardwood! 4 brs. Main flr. family rm. Pine panelled den. 4 baths. Prof. finished basment. Don LePage 449-2020.

BAYVIEW/SHEPPARD LAND VALUE
$459,000. 3 + 2 bdrms. Combination liv. & din. rm. Fin. rc. rm. with B/I bar. Large lot 74' x 225'. Ideal for renovation or builder. Michele Church 449-2020.

OLD YONGE-YORK MILLS BUNGALOW
$469,000. Spacious 3 bdrm. bungalow, 3 baths, dble. garage. Livingrm. w/fireplace opens onto patio + private 182' garden. Heddy Blaug/-Barbara Barker 449-2020.

BAYVIEW! TENNIS COURT & POOL TOO!
$489,000. York Mills! Lovely 3 bdrm., sep. living/dining, main fl. powder rm., new custom kitchen! Super value for this great property! Terry Moranis 449-2020.

ST. ANDREW'S — TWO NEW HOMES
$695,000 & $719,000. 4000 sq. ft. of superb workmanship, prestige location by Shohreh. Main fam. & lib. 4 & 5 bdrms. 68' x 82' x 151' lots. Eileen Church 449-2020.

YORK MILLS/LESLIE! CUSTOM HOME!!
$769,000. South lot! 2 storey marble entry, oversized principal rms.! Master + sitting, fam. rm. & lib., gorgeous lower level with sauna! Terry Moranis 449-2020.

BAYVIEW/YORK MILLS! NEW HOME!!
$979,000. Super value! 4700 sq. ft. on south lot! 5 bdrm., 3 full baths on 2nd fl., main fl. fam. rm. & lib.! Triple garage, exceptional!! Terry Moranis 449-2020.

MIDTOWN PROPERTIES

BANBURY/YORK MILLS ON THE PARK!
$489,000. Gracious entrance with circular staircase. W/O finished lower level opens out to park. 4 + 1 bdrms. Heddy Blaug/Barbara Barker 449-2020.

THE IDEAL LAWRENCE PARK BUNGALOW
$519,000. Semi-circular drive, pretty pool and whirlpool, 3+ bedrooms, ideal location, schools, this house has what you need! Carolyn Hogg 487-4343.

1ST AD KELBAR HOME IN DENLOW!
$595,000. Updated 2 storey 5 bdrm. Fin. bsmt. White custom kit. with all appliances, new master ensuite with whirlpool tub. To view call Lella Taylor 449-2020.

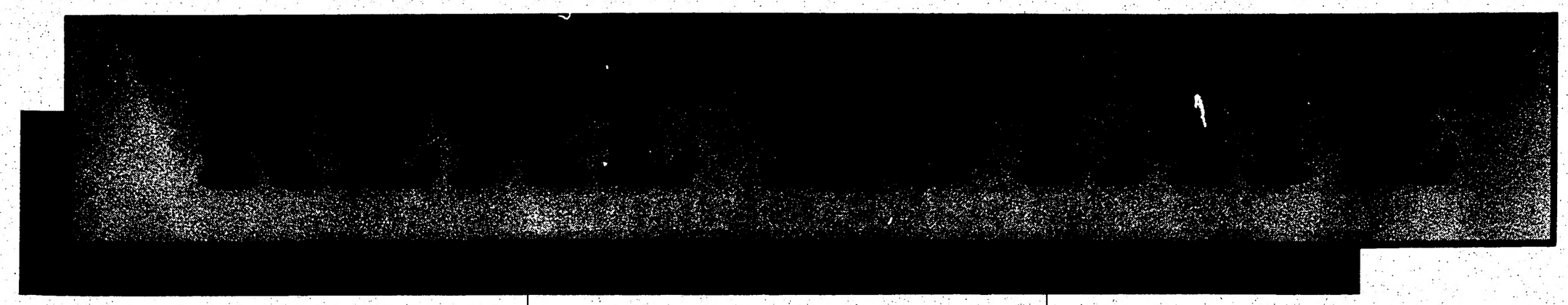
BAYVIEW RIDGE AREA QUALITY BUILT!
$595,000. Stone split level on superb lot 68' x 145'. 3 br. home, large rms. Dining area opens to secluded garden. Oak panelled den & rec. rm. Don LePage 449-2020.

LARKFIELD/BANBURY "NEW HOME"
$729,000. Construction by Shohreh. 2-storey, 5 bdrm. Breakfast area incl. Florida rm. with skylight, w/o to deck. 3-car gar. 4100 sq. ft. Michele Church 449-2020.

MISTY CR.-SANDFIELD
$779,000. Spacious contemporary w/soaring ceilings. Fabulous design on 84 ft. frontage. Priv. master overlooks living rm. Barbara Barker/Heddy Blaug 449-2020.

CONDOMINIUMS

MADISON CENTRE! 2 STOREY PENTHSE!
$518,000. Gorgeous Yonge/Sheppard condo! Prime southwest exposure, 3 bdrm., 3 baths, 2 decks, fireplace! 2 pkg., choose finishings!! Terry Moranis 449-2020.



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355' RAVINE ESTATE
$1,900,000. Located in the heart of the city. Perfect blend of traditional elegance and modern architecture. Unique 15 rm. residence features well proportioned principal rms., plus a stunning "Armstrong Holesworth" addition. Main flr. oak library, 2 storey atrium, and inviting fam. rm. and garden rm. overlooking manicured terraced grounds. Inground swimming pool and cabana. Appointments through Elaine Chelin, 483-4337.

MISTY CRESC. — $1,450,000
Unique contemporary 11 rm. residence. Huge principal rms., 2 family rms. w/fireplaces, 2 solariums, indoor pool, whirlpool + much more! To view call Shirley Sugar, 483-4337.

LOWER VILLAGE EXCLUSIVE
$995,000. Exceptional 2 storey 5 bdrm. home situated on quiet street. Entertainment size living rm. w/exquisite moldings & open fireplace. Separate dining rm. Custom Country French kitchen with w/o. Oak panelled den w/ fireplace & w/o to south facing garden. Inground pool. Appointments through Elaine Chelin, 483-4337.

WYCHWOOD PK. — $975,000
Distinguished 3 storey residence. Grand entrance hall, wonderful panelling and lots of fireplaces. For details, call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337.

EARL BALES PK. — $895,000
Custom built 4 bdrm. Bungalow. Ravine setting Gorgeous view. Huge living rm., panelled den, 2 kitchens, plus much more! For details call Barbara Kaplan, 483-4337.

FOREST WOOD/STRATHALLAN
$655,000. Exceptional updated home. Park-like setting. Handsome Georgian trim, French doors, beautiful oak flrs. Beckermann kitchen, central air. Don't miss seeing! Call Elaine Goldenberg.

CASA LOMA — $598,000
Distinguished 3 storey centre hall on unusually large lot. Attractive wood trim & leaded windows. 30' living rm., fin. lower level, dble. garage. Call Gary Mitchell, 483-4337.

TASTEFULLY REFURBISHED
$429,000. Fully renovated 4-5 bdrm. Tudor. Main flr. fam. rm. with w/o to deck & private garden. Master ensuite. Fin. lower level. Close to all amenities. A must to see! Call Marlene Federman, 483-4337.

HOGGS HOLLOW — 50 x 176'
Presently Tudor style, Centre Hall Plan. Fully renovated Paris "White" kitchen, lots of potential for future addition. Please call Marlene Federman.

YONGE/EGLINTON — $309,000
Well-kept 3 bdrm. home. Stunning solarium kitchen w/o to deck & garden. Convenient to subway & shops. Don't miss seeing! Call Margaret Heiman.

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SPRING FARM BEAUTY ON PREMIUM LOT
3 bdrms., 4 baths., fam. rm., fully fin. bsmt., close to all amenities. Act fast — won't last. K. Farb, 886-1200.

NEW LUXURY EXEC. HOME — RICHMOND HILL
4-bdrm., bright kit., fam. rm., brick f.p., lib'ry, ceramics, premium lot. $304,500. D. Burstyn, 731-2600.

YONGE/CLARK
$312,500, reduced to sell. 4++ bdrms. + sauna, fin. bsmt., mn.-flr. fam. rm., bright sunny kit., w/out to yard. C. Rosenblatt, 731-2600.

THORNHILL — VENDOR RELOCATED
$339,000 — 5 bdrms., mn.-flr. fam. rm., kit. walkout, fully fenced yard, in-ground pool, great location. Caroline Rosenblatt, 731-2600.

STUNNING HOME $269,900
Thornhill, 3+ bdrms., very lge. kit., fam. rm. & liv. rm. w. firepl., open plan, w/out to deck & swimming pool; hardwd. flrs., ++. C. Rosenblatt, 731-2600.

BRIGHT & SUNNY BUNGALOW
3 bdrms., lge. rms., bsmt. & w/out to very lge. private yard. Excellent location, community centres, TTC. C. Rosenblatt, 731-2600.

FINCH & BATHURST $324,990
Custom 5-bdrm., cathedral ceiling, 2 ens., 2 kit., walk-in pantries, underground sprinklers + more! B. Lass, 731-2600.

"SKYVIEW ON YONGE" ROOMS WITH A VIEW
Spacious 2-bdrm. condo + + in demand luxury bldg. Fam. rm., sunroom & lge. terrace; all amenities. Roz Sitzer, 498-7100.

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UNIQUE DESIGN — $879,000
Demand Location - Bayview & Steeles. An exciting new luxury Custom 5 bdrm. home with self-contained studio. Approx. 4,700 sq. ft. Loaded with extras. For details call Harvey Cooper, 483-4337.

CEDARVALE DELIGHT — $379,000
Up-to-the-Minute Tudor with 3-4 bdrms. (master ens). Custom "white" kitchen w/brkfst. rm. Sep. Nanny's quarters/Play rm., central air. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337.

BAYVIEW/STEELES — $449,000
Bayview/Steeles. House & Gardens Home with gorgeous inground pool. Sep. living & dining rms., main flr. den + fam. rm. Fin. lower level. 100' frontage. Call Donald Wagman, 483-4337.

BATHURST/WILSON — $325,000
Spacious 4 bdrm. home situated on large lot. Ultra Kitchen, finished lower level. For details call Wilma Freedman, 483-4337.

TOWNHOUSE CONDO — $345,000
Spadina/St. Clair. Eat-in kitchen, 2 balconies, terrific master suite, ground level fam. rm. with w/o to private terrace & garden. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337.

LOWER VILLAGE — 4 PLEX
$549,000. Excellent 2 bdrm. suites. 2 units w/renovated baths & kitchens. Parking for 4 cars. For details call Harold Hillman, 483-4337.

LYTTON PK. DUPLEX
$337,000. Well kept income property. Possible owner occupy. Vendor financing available. For details call Margaret Heiman, 483-4337.

STRATHALLAN WOOD — $689,000
Outstanding Georgian home. Wonderful main flr. — ideal for entertaining. Walkouts to garden. SOLD main flr. fam. rm., separate living rm., and oversized gourmet kitchen. Won't last! For details call Elaine Goldenberg, 483-4337.

STRATHEARN RD. — NEW EXCLUSIVE
$498,000. Grand Centre Hall T... SOLD ...n wonderful lot with 80' frontage. 3 bdrms. Great family ... Call Miriam Aiken, 483-4337.

CITY LIVING — $249,000
Opportunity to own a lovely ... SOLD ...ight in the city! Detached 3 bdrm. w/beautiful wood trim, ...ined glass, updated kitchen w/eating area/den. Call Elaine Goldenberg, 483-4337.

LESLIE/STEELES — $479,000
Nestled on a secluded crescent ... SOLD ... spacious foyer, circular staircase, main flr. family & laund... + bdrms., 4 baths. + fin. lower level. Loads of built-ins & ex...as! Call Gayle Mitchell, 483-4337.

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"LOWER VILLAGE HIDEAWAY"
• 92 FT. FRONTAGE — $1,750,000.
Custom 2 level residence in ravine/park setting. 3 + 1 bdrms., master with 4 pc. ensuite + 4 pc. & 3 pc. baths. Main floor familyrm with w/o to 30 ft. patio + skylit den. Custom kitchen with breakfast area & main floor laundry rm. Ground floor lower level with 28 ft. familyrm with firepl, & w/o. Maid's quarters + den & study. CAC, dble. att. garage. Superb for entertaining. Bruce Smith.

"CEDARVALE"
• SPECTACULAR CUSTOM HOME REDUCED
Great family home on prime street. 4 bdrm. + unique main floor familyrm with 18 ft. beamed ceiling & firepl. Gourmet kitchen with 7 appls + separate breakfast room. 4 baths includes master ensuite & main floor 2 pc. Lower level familyrm, recroom + maid's quarters. CAC, triple drive, double att. garage. "Super Value". Bruce Smith.

JUST LISTED — $199,900
• LUXURY CONDO — CHURCH/WELLESLEY
Superb value in Spacious 2 bdrm on 11th fl. w/o to balc., master ensuite w/jacuzzi + 4 pc. bath. CAC, security system. Esther Unruh 782-7979.

1ST AD — "CEDARVALE"
• EXCEPTIONAL BUNGALOW — $279,900
Spacious det. home on prime st., 3 lge. bdrms., + sep. bsmt. apt. Formal liv. + din. rm., w. bay window, firepl. Sep. breakf. rm. Lower-level 1-bdrm. apt. w/kit. & 3-pce. bath, priv. entr. Updt. mechs., att. gar. "Excellent condition". Bruce Smith.

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***TENNIS ANYONE? W/LIGHTS!**
York Downs Elegant and gracious 4 bdrm. Oversized rooms, 4 baths. Jacuzzi + 2 showers. Sauna. Marble and hdwd flrs. 3/4 of an acre. $1.5 mil M. Hutchison 488-2875.

***DRAMATIC DUNVEGAN ROAD**
Centre hall 3 flrs. 5 bdrms. 2 frpl. 2 baths. 5 star location. 44'x175' M. Hutchison 488-2875.

***SUPER FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD**
In the Lower Village. Beautiful centre hall. Large white kitchen. 5 bdrms. Entertaining size library. C.A.C. Double garage. Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

***BAYVIEW BUNGALOW $795,000**
Large principal rooms. Sunken living room Panelled den with fireplace. 4 bdrms. Sep. help's qtrs. Billiard room, wet bar. Sauna, pool. Summer possession Jeffrey Wagman 488-2875.

***1ST AD! BAYVIEW AT ITS BEST . . .**
$769,000 Cobblestone Drive prepares you for an exciting entertaining home with an open marble foyer and skylight! Main floor family room + den and 2 pc. Unbelievable master and en suite. Lower level that defies description. Cathy Kwinter 488-2875.

***LOWER VILLAGE — 1ST PRIZE!**
Perfect for your young family! Large kitchen. Main floor den and powder room. 3/4 bdrms. Panelled play room, help's qtrs. Deep lot. David Wagman 488-2875.

***ALEXANDERWOOD AREA $489,000**
Exceptional lot! 3 bdrm sidesplit. Centre hall. Eat-in kitchen. Library. Jeffrey Wagman 488-2875.

***PENTHOUSE PANACHE 40 OAKLANDS**
$469,000 Avenue Rd./Cottingham. Custom luxury 2 + bdrms. 3 baths. Roof top solarium. Oak floors. Luxury kitchen. 6 appl. 2 parking spaces Marg Hutchison 488-2875.

***1ST AD! LUXURY CONDO! HEATH ST.**
Panoramic view of the city! Large marble foyer. Spacious living and dining rooms. Eat-in kitchen. 2 bdrms, 2 marble baths (jacuzzi in master!) Prof. decorated $449,000 David Wagman 488-2875.

***LOWER VILLAGE DELIGHT!**
2 storey Tudor. Sun filled den overlooking 220' garden. 3 bdrms. 2 baths Den. Sandra Silver 488-2875.

***CRICKET CLUB AREA! 1ST AD!!**
Walk to Yonge Detached 3 bdrms, 2 modern 4 pc baths. Fabulous kitchen. W/brkfst area. W/O to deck and pretty garden. Fireplace. Skylight. Well maintained bright home. Pat Orban 488-2875.

***GORGEOUS GRANITE PLACE**
Large 1 bdrm with huge private terrace. Laundry en suite, pool, whirlpool, sauna. Elsa Yonge 488-2875.

***DOWNTOWN! KING-PARLIAMENT**
Super 3 storey. Great for 2! Patio. Sun deck! Sauna. C.A.C. Quiet street. $219,000 Elsa Yonge 488-2875.

***BATHURST & WILSON REDUCED!!**
Excellent location 3 bdrms. 2 kitchens. Private drive. $199,000 David Wagman 488-2875.

***LUXURY CO-OP FOREST HILL**
Beautiful 1 bdrm + den. Hardwood floors throughout. Many extras. $154,900. Judy Silverberg 488-2875.

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***PROMENADE $214,500**
Decorator's dream home! Detac... SOLD ...storey, 3 bdrm, large master with en suite. Fin. lower level. ...C. W/o to deck. Close to everything. Thousands in upgrades. B. Cooper 485-2299.

***VICTORIAN DUPLEX $239,000**
Excellent downtown location. 3 storey. 1 bdrm lower. 2 bdrm upper. Bright high ceilings. M. Solnicki 485-2299.

***1ST OFFERING! CASA LOMA TRI-PLEX!**
$319,000 Super investment opportunity! In prime residential neighborhood! Live in 2 bdrm apt & collect rent from 1 bdrm & bachelor suites. Close to all amenities. Don't delay. Call M. Solnicki 485-2299.

***REGAL HEIGHTS $244,900**
2 storey solid brick 7 rooms + 3 bdrms + 3 kitchens, 2 baths. On quiet street. Call S. Di Poce 485-2299.

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***JUST LISTED ANOTHER "CONCORD" MODEL . . .**
IN SPRING FARM — $234,900
Features porch enclosure. Central air, central vac. Backs onto park. Shows beautifully!
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UPPER VILLAGE — OPPORTUNITY
Lovely landscaped 3 bdrm., feat. lg. principle rms., eat-in kitch., hdwd. flrs., close to all conveniences. Gerry/Becky Wener, 731-7111.

BATHURST S. OF LAWRENCE — "SPECTACULAR"
Walk to shul. Upgraded 2 storey. 3 bdrm., magnificent white kitchen, in-law bsmnt. apt., won't last! Evelyn Pollock, 731-7111.

BATHURST-WILSON — JUST LISTED!
Super, well-maintained 3 bdrm. bungalow on quiet street. Hardwd. flrs. throughout, close to all amenities. Hurry, won't last! Robert Samery, 731-7111.

BATHURST-BAYCREST — VALUE APLENTY!
Magnificent 3 bdrm., 2 storey, renovated kitch., near all amenities. Immediate poss.! Evelyn Pollock, 731-7111.

NORTH 'Y' — BLUE FLAG!
Magnificent 3 bdrm., 3 bth. townhome. Fam. rm., hdwd. floors. 3 w/o, quiet court. Must be seen! Marilyn Ray, 731-7111.

BATHURST S. OF STEELES — JUST LISTED!
Spacious 3 bdrm. backsplit, on super-sized lot, gorgeous fam. rm., lg. principle rms., appls., air, backing onto park. Priced to sell! Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-ANTIBES — TOWNHOUSE
Bargain! 3 bdrm., fin. lower level., appls., extras! Reduced for quick sale. Bella Beer, 731-7111.

***BATHURST S. OF STEELES — 4 BD. SEMI**
Ideal 1st home. Panelled den, fin. panelled rec.rm. in basmnt., C/A, loads of extras, near all conveniences. A must to see! Gerry Wener, 731-7111.

BATHURST-TORRESDALE — EXECUTIVE TOWNHOME
Fabulous 4 bdrm., fin. bsmnt., 2 car pkg., appls., air, more! Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-DREWRY — BUNGALOW
Spacious, on 60' ft. lot. Loads of extras, bsmnt. apt. Appls., close to all conveniences. Value! Andy Reti, 731-7111.

EDMUND SEAGER ESTATES — CUSTOM BUILT!
Super kitch. 4 bdrms., 4 bths., mn. flr. library + fam. rm., open concept, Jacuzzi, upgrades, 60' lot. Dillon Jones, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — JUST LISTED!
Lovely 3 bdrm., mn. flr. fam. rm., 1½ car gar., C-A, extras! Won't last! Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-CENTRE — TITANIC TWO-STOREY
Unsurpassed! Spacious 5 bdrm., mn. flr. fam. rm. + den, premium lot. Tons of extras. A reason to move. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-CHABAD GATE — 4 BDRMS.
Spacious mn. flr. fam. rm. with firepl., fin. bsmnt., dble gar., near all amenities. $239,900. Paula Bernstein/Bella Beer, 731-7111.

BATHURST-CHABAD GATE — WALK TO SHUL
Super 4 bdrm., mn. flr. fam. & laundry rm., decorated throughout, walk to shul. $279,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-CHABAD GATE — REDUCED $15,000!
Sparkling, 3 bdrm., fin. bsmnt., ceramics, firepl., gorgeous kitch., walk to shul. $229,900. Bev Ross, 731-7111.

BATHURST-PROMENADE — BEGINNER WINNER!
3 bdrm., mn. flr. powder rm., lg. eat-in kitch., priced for quick sale! $181,900. Evelyn Pollock, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — SPACE GALORE!
4 bdrm., Hollywood style kitch., mn. flr. fam. rm. with firepl., 5 appls., extras, $269,900. Bella Beer, 731-7111.

***BATHURST-STEELES**
Large 4 bdrm. Backs to park. 2 car garage. 2,600 sq. ft. Many extras.

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VINTAGE "FARMHOUSE"
$575,000 63 Duggan Avenue, Yonge & St. Clair Area, Detached, Updated, 3 Bdrms. with Inground Pool, Call Elli Davis 921-1112.

SUPER FAMILY TRADE UP HOME!!
$449,900 Don Mills/Steeles. Custom Built 10 Yrs. New, On Kid Safe Cul-De-Sac! Huge Principle Rooms + Inground Pool. Many Extras. Warren Cooper 221-5515.

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$276,000 Two Storey 4 Bdrm 3 Bthrm Super Lot Heat Pump Fenced Garden Close to Bus, Shoping Many Extras Call Gerry Wapnah 221-5515.

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$249,000 2 Bdrm. 2 Baths, Solarium and Balcony, Near TTC. Shopping, Synagogue and Community Centre Lily Stoll 635-1170.

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$242,900 Stop! This is It!! 4-Bd. Master + Ensuite. Fin. Rec. Rm. Many Upgrades. Don Mills/Steeles Loc'n. Flex. Pos'n. Call Warren Cooper 221-5515.

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$161,900 Pay No Maintenance Fee. Large 3-Bd + 3-Bath + 4-Appl. + Cent. Air + F/Place. 5-Yrs. New! Act Fast — Won't Last! Warren Cooper 221-5515.

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4 bdrm., 3 bths., fam. rm., 2 firepl., w/o to yard, skylight, CAC, etc. Shelly Halpern, 226-9770.

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3 bdrm., 2 bths., window in kitch., CAC, close to all amenities. Shelly Halpern, 226-9770.

BATHURST—STEELES
Gorgeous 2 storey, lg. principle rms., fam. rm., eat-in kitch., ceramics, + + Joe Salomon, 226-9770.

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Canada Trust Realtor

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$995,000 Magnificent home on a choice lot, lrg. master with dressing area, exquisite living, dining and family rm., finished lower, w/o to pool. To see this elegant little mansion, call B. Track or B. Levy 783-3333.

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3 bdrm. + tandem, main floor family, 3 pce. ensuite, tudor style home, walk too synagogue, shops, schools. Hardwood floors throughout. D. Abraham 783-3333.

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$339,500 2 stry., 3 bdrm., breakfast rm., open fireplace, nat. wood trim, private entrance lower apt., att. gar. Near schools, subway, shops. July poss. S. Banack 783-3333.

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3 bdrm. bungalow, eat-in kit., 3 fire pl., 2 baths, finished bsmt., w/o patio, plaza, bus, schools. S. Banack 783-3333.

CENTRAL WEST
Walk to Bloor from this reno. 3 stry. semi with lrg. eat-in kit., 5 piece main bath., plus 2 decks. All for $229,900. R. Fitzerman 783-3333.

CONDO — CONDO — CONDO
At Glencairn Subway 360 Ridelle, 1 bdrm., fab. view, show to perfection, indoor pool, sauna $125,000; 2 bdrm., fab. west view, remodelled kit., ceramic flr., upgraded broadloom; 2 bdrm., corner unit with 3 pce. ensuite $149,000. D. Abraham 783-3333.

MORE CONDOS, CONDOS
360 Ridelle, 1 bdrm., 2 bdrm., fab. view, indoor pool, sauna, $125,000 to $149,000.
155 Marlee, 2 bdrm., shabat elev., indoor pool, sauna $149,000.
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MAGNIFICENT! BATHURST-STEELES $539,900
1st ad! Huge lot! $150,000. in extras!!! Main floor den and family rm, finished bsmt., landscaped! Al Sidofsky 736-1100.

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Exclusive! Magnificent! 3500 sq. ft. + finished bsmt, inground pool, sauna, whirlpool, extras + + Allen Bargman 736-1100.

LESLIE-CUMMER LARGE LOT $339,900
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BATHURST SOUTH OF STEELES $325,000
57x132 3 bdrm sidesplit, large family rm, finished bsmt, possible in-law apt. Allen Bargman 736-1100.

BATHURST-CENTRE "BRAND NEW"
$324,900. 3000 sq. ft, 4 bdrm, circular staircase, Hollywood kitchen, 45 ft. frontage, late poss. Maxine Povering 736-1100.

BATHURST-CENTRE "ROSEDALE NORTH"
$319,900. 1st ad! 3100 sq. ft, 4 bdrms, main floor den + family rm, enormous master bdrm, extras. Al Sidofsky 736-1100.

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BATHURST-STEELES 1ST AD! $274,900
4 bdrm + finished bsmt, master bdrm + dressing area + full ensuite, main family & laundry rms. Karyn Kalef 736-1100.

ROSEDALE NORTH 1ST AD! $264,900
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BATHURST-STEELES — REDUCED TO $229,900
3 bdrms, 3 baths, main floor family rm, 20' master bdrm, family size kitchen + bay window. June Gordon 736-1100.

ALAN NEWTON REAL ESTATE LTD. REALTOR

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***BAYVIEW GLEN — OVER ½rd ACRE — 1st AD!**
$429,000. Immaculate 3 bdrm bungalow on large lot, renovate or build your dream home. BEV BURSTEIN 223-5100.

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BAYVIEW & STEELES — NORTH YORK
Fabulous renovated kit., customized oak family room & more displayed in this lovely 4 bdrm, 2 storey home. LAUREEN UNROTH 223-5100.

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YORK MILLS-BAYVIEW — DEEP SOUTH LOT
Chance to build your dream home on prime street $575,000. BEV BURSTEIN 223-5100.

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Under construction on magnificent south lot. $1,350,000. To view plans call BEV BURSTEIN 223-5100.

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BATHURST & LAWRENCE — $309,000
Just listed, 3 bdrm, 2 baths, finished bsmt apt., rec. rm & bar, 50' lot. Act fast! MARLON GREEN 224-2800.

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BAYVIEW & CUMMER $429,900 — 1st Ad!
5 level backsplit, dble garage, 30' family rm & den, finished bsmt, bar room, custom buit, 3 baths, balcony. MARLON GREEN 224-2800.

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BATHURST & STEELES $349,900
Over 3000 sq. ft., custom 4 bdrm, main family room & library, huge white kitchen, oak stairs to bsmt. MARLON GREEN 224-2800.

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BATHURST & CLARK "PROMENADE"
Brand new 2 bdrm apt., 1138 sq. ft., 2 baths, facing south $179,900. SARAH ROVET 224-2800.

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"PROMENADE" BATHURST & CLARK — 7th FLOOR
1362 sq. ft., new large corner 2 bdrm, 2 bath, eat-in kit + window, 2 parking, extra locker, balcony & solarium. MIRIAM ROSE 223-5100.

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BATHURST & STEELES — JUST LISTED
Beautiful 2 storey, dble garage, 3 bdrms, prof. finished bsmt & more. AVA GELBART 224-2800.

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BATHURST SOUTH OF STEELES — YOUR CHOICE
Freshly painted 2 storey house + family room, circular stairs, close to all. OR, 2 storey semi, 3 + 1 bdrms, finished basement, late closing. AVA GELBART 224-2800.

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BATHURST & DREWRY — FABULOUS 3000 SQ. FT.
Det. 2 storey, main fl. family & laundry, full ensuite in master, new broadloom, steps to synagogue & TTC. CILA FLEISCHMANN 224-2800.

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ATTENTION APARTMENT DWELLERS! HOT BUY!
Asking $159,200 for this Bathurst & Steeles 3 bdrm townhouse with eat-in kitchen, fireplace & finished basment. STUART FARB 224-2800.

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177 ft. deep lot, Dramatic 2 storey entrance, main family, finished lower level, sauna, dance floor, huge wet bar, very large & bright equipped kit., dream master bedroom + + + TAMI GRINGORTEN 223-5100.

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Large backsplit, huge family room, finished lower level, loads of storage, large lot. VENDOR has bought. TAMI GRINGORTEN 223-5100.

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Torresdale - 1 bd. $995
Bath-Steeles - 2 bd. $1,450
Yonge-Shepp - 2 bd. $1,400
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- **Hemispheres I - 3 bd.**
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- **135 Antibes, 2 bd. + den**
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- **7601 Bathurst - 2 bd.**
- **7420 Bathurst - 2 bd.**

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ALAN UNGERMAN

- **80 Antibes.** 2 bd. corner, 1,400 sq. ft. $199,900. Bella Beer.
- **7601 Bathurst.** 2 bd., 2 bths., sunrm. $171,900. Paula Bernstein, 731-7111. stein, 731-7111.
- **Promenade.** 2 bd., 2 bths., $169,900. Bella Beer, 731-7111.
- **Promenade.** 2 bd., 2 bths., approx. 1,300 sq. ft. $174,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.
- **Conservatory.** 1,400 sq. ft., 2 bd./bths. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.
- **Yonge-Steeles.** 2 & 3 bd. apts. on Hilda. Andy Reti, 731-7111.

THE HEMISPHERES
131 Torresdale, 2 bdrm., fam. rm., Florida rm., south & west view. Appls. & more! $234,900. Michael Warsh Realty Ltd., Brkr., Michael Warsh, 968-0439.

3000 BATHURST LUXURY CONDO
$145,000. Lg. 1 bd., Florida rm., vestibule, utility rm., gar., overlooking cityscape, 3 appls., 24 hr. security, many amenities. Ideal for investment. Call Mr. de Mariaffi, 487-5201, MONTREAL TRUST RLTR.

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Employers wanted to sponsor nannies from the Phillippines. Mr. Rittner 782-0635.

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Understanding, conscientious live-in needed for senior citizen. Non-smoker. Daytime: 783-3159, after 6 p.m. Call 787-7569.

Babysitter. Bathurst/Dufferin south of Steeles. Looking for experienced, caring person for active 16-month old. 3 days per week, 7:45 a.m.-6:00 p.m. References. Call 736-7592 Wednesday-Thursday only.

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Business Woman experienced in sales, accounting & administration. Seeks a demanding steady position. Capable of shouldering responsibilities. 499-7885.

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HOUSES FOR RENT

Bathurst/Sheppard - 2 bedroom bungalow, upper floor. $650.00. Available June. 782-9864.

Steeles-Bathurst 4 bedroom plus one. Available May-July 1987. $800.00 plus utilities. 731-7370.

Coldstream Avenue - upstairs of home for rent. 3 bedroom, 2 bathrooms, fully furnished, back yard. 636-3493.

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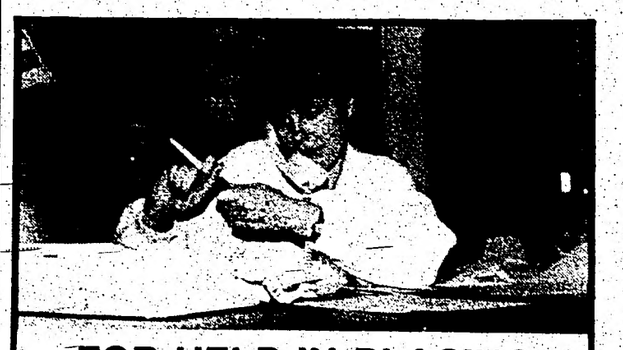

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"In" food of the 80s

No limit to possibilities with pasta

By ESTHER FISHER

Whether you call it lokshen or pasta, there's no doubt that noodles are the "in" food of the 80s.

Increasingly, Canadians are becoming aware of the versatility, convenience and nutritional value of pasta for appetizers, main courses and side dishes. Pasta can be served hot or cold; added to soups; makes a perfect partner for sauces; can be dressed up for company with meat, fish or vegetables; or may be served simply with the addition of butter or cheese and parsley, or with olive oil and garlic. There seems to be no limit to the recipes you can create with pasta.

Until recently, dried pasta was the form of the product most widely available in Canada, but now Catelli offers Di Parma fresh pasta. Their linguine, fettucine, spaghetti and spaghettini contain only durum semolina, liquid whole eggs, water and salt. The addition of eggs, and kneading and rolling the dough, rather than extruding it, make the fresh product far more delicate, rich and tender than dried pasta. Specially packaged to last up to eight weeks in the refrigerator, these Di Parma products cook within three minutes.

Pasta, known for about 4,000 years and most often associated with Italy, has now come into its own as a universal favorite. It's healthy as well as tasty: 100 mg. of Di Parma fettucine, linguine, spaghetti or spaghettini contain 300 calories, 56.45 g carbohydrate, 20.35 mg. calcium, 11.20% protein, 1.31% fat, and 0.49% dietary fibre.

Home economists at the fresh food division of Catelli offer some hints for achieving best results when cooking and serving pasta:

Use a large deep pot so the pasta has plenty of room to move. Salt the water to taste. Gently separate the pasta and add it to boiling water all at once and stir immediately with a wooden spoon or long cooking fork.

While cooking, stir frequently to prevent the pasta from sticking together. As you stir, lift the pasta away from the bottom of the pot. A drop of oil added to the water will prevent the water from foaming. Watch the cooking time to make sure the pasta does not overcook. It's ready when still a little firm (al dente).

And here is a kosher adaptation of a recipe developed by the home economists. It features three kinds of mushrooms: shitake, oyster, and white or brown. The dish is light, takes only 10 minutes to prepare and 9 minutes to cook.

FETTUCINE WITH MUSHROOMS AND CHICKEN

- ½ lb. skinned and boned chicken breast
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp. fresh grated gingerroot
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 tbsp. red wine
- 4 tbsps. vegetable oil
- 2 slices of onion, cut in 4
- 1 red pepper, cut in strips
- 12 shitake mushrooms, sliced
- 6 fresh oyster mushrooms, sliced
- 12 fresh white or brown mushrooms, sliced
- 2 green onions, cut in 1-inch lengths

Salt and pepper to taste
255g fresh fettucini
1 tbsp. vegetable oil

If using dried shitake mushrooms, soak in warm water for 30 minutes or until caps are softened. Drain. Cut off stalks with a sharp knife. Cut chicken into thin strips. Add garlic, ginger, salt and wine. Mix well. Set aside while preparing remaining ingredients.

Heat oil in a wok or large skillet. Add chicken and stir-fry 2 to 3 minutes or until chicken is cooked. Remove from wok with a slotted spoon and set aside. Add onions, red pepper and mushrooms to wok. Stir-fry 3 to 5 minutes. Add green onions and season to taste with salt and pepper. Heat for 1 minute.

Meanwhile cook fettucine according to package directions. Drain and return to pan. Toss with remaining oil until well coated. Add chicken and mushroom mixture. Serve immediately. Serves 4.

And here is one of my own favorites that gets rave reviews whenever I make it.

PASTA WITH TUNA AND PEAS

- 1 tbsp. butter
- ¼ cup finely chopped celery
- ¼ cup finely chopped onion
- 2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 tbsps. all-purpose flour
- 1 cup evaporated skim milk
- 1 tsp. pareve instant mushroom soup mix dissolved in 6 oz. hot water
- ½ tsp. dried tarragon
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1/8 tsp. pepper
- 6 oz. spaghetti or other pasta, cooked and drained
- 1 cup frozen peas, cooked and drained
- 2 (6½ oz.) tins water-packed chunk white tuna, drained and broken up
- 2 tbsps. grated cheese

Melt butter in non-stick saucepan. Add celery, onions and mushrooms; cook over medium heat for about 3 minutes, until mushrooms start to release their liquid. Add garlic. Continue cooking for 1 minute more. Sprinkle with flour; cook, stirring constantly for 1 minute.

Mix milk, mushroom broth, tarragon, salt and pepper; stir into mushroom mixture. Cook, stirring often until sauce is thickened and smooth (5 to 7 minutes).

In a large serving bowl, toss pasta, peas and tuna. Add sauce. Toss to coat. Sprinkle with cheese. Makes 4 delicious servings.

Commercial investors told to follow the 3Ps in real estate market

TORONTO —

While the real estate market has been cyclical in recent years, commercial investors can come out ahead by following the three Ps — planning, professional assistance and patience — according to accountants Orenstein & Partners.

Looking at the current market, the accountancy firm — in its first newsletter — says 1986 was a very good year for the commercial real estate market. This is because interest rates are at reasonable levels and are fairly stable right now and business and investor confidence is high.

To acquire "potentially profitable" real estate, the accountancy firm recommends that financial and legal advisors be hired to provide information and counseling from preliminary market research through to managing a property.

Once a decision has been made to purchase a property, then proper planning is important.

The first step involves research and is considered the most crucial. Investors should take into consideration their financial situation, their needs and preferences, market rates, types of profitable investments and booming areas.

The next step involves analysis. Start with an evaluation of all aspects of the building. If the property passes the test, next project its potential income over the short and long terms with a cash flow. As a rule of thumb, net rental income should be 8 to 9% of the negotiated price.

Next finalize details with your lawyer to work out all of the legalities and arrange financing.

When the deal is complete, there is still the task of managing the property. If you don't have the internal resources or the inclination, a professional management firm can be hired to handle the task.

Property firms can get exposure to Japanese market

JAPAN —

Canadian and American real estate companies interested in the Japanese market will have the opportunity to seek out foreign investors during Realex 87 in Tokyo on Dec. 3-5.

Realex '87 is the 5th edition of the successful North American Real Estate Exhibition organized since 1983 in Asia. It is being staged for the first time in Japan this year due to the increase in Japanese investment in the U.S. According to recent figures, the Japanese invested about $630 million in American real estate in 1984, about $1.5 billion in 1985 and between $3.5 and $5 billion in 1986.

The exhibit will allow real estate developers, brokers and professionals to make direct contact with Japanese investors and for the Japanese investors to learn about the real estate market in Canada and the U.S.

It will cover office buildings, industrial sites for factories and warehouses, investment properties, office leasing, rental markets, holiday condominiums, property management services and financial services.

In addition, a specialized conference focusing on tax, legal and financial aspects of real estate in North America will be held concurrently with the exhibition.

The exhibit is being cohosted by the National Association of Realtors and the Asian Wall Street Journal. The supporting organizations include the U.S. and Canadian embassies in Japan.

Real estate companies interested in the Japanese market can participate as exhibitors. For further information contact: The Realex '87 Exhibition Director, Management Resources International, 7th Floor, Hang Seng Bank Building, 200 Hennessy Rd., Hong Kong or phone 5-8913168, telex 65441 MRI HX, fax 5-8918712, cable — MANRESIN HONGKONG.

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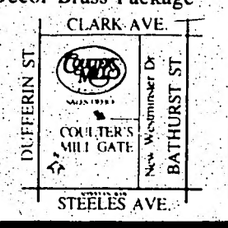

Mount Sinai clinic treats thousands

Writer praises the patience of rehab unit staff

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

TORONTO —

This inquiring travel writer spent most of March on a visit to Toronto's Mount Sinai Hospital's Rehabilitation Medicine Unit to alleviate a continuing severe back ache.

The result of numerous tests showed that I did not have deteriorating spinal disc problems, as had been indicated in preliminary x-rays, but some arthritis in the lower back. I also discovered an entirely new — or fairly new — form of medicine in the form of rehabilitation treatment.

The Rehabilitation Medicine Unit at Mount Sinai has been in operation for about ten years and in that period has treated tens of thousands of out-patients and in-patients with problems ranging from different types of arthritis to patients who have had a stroke, amputations, orthopedic surgery, burns and other problems. In all cases the purpose of treatment was to bring the patient back to near normal functioning and become more independent.

The entire 15th floor of the hospital is devoted to in-patients of the unit, with 70 beds, average stays about 37 days, seldom more than three months, for a total of nearly 700 patients a year. Therapeutic area, doctors' offices and out-patient services on the 2nd floor handle about 15,000 individuals annually for varying periods accounting for more than 75,000 out-patients day treatment a year.

The therapeutic facilities include a warm water pool, gymnasium, occupational therapy classrooms, treatment rooms, and offices of therapists, speech pathologists, neuropsychologists, social and community workers.

The staff includes four to five specialists, at least five resident doctors of whom three are always on duty for 4-year training periods, some 40 therapists and from 45 to 50 nurses on the 15th floor. There is an interpreter service and the world-wide recruited staff is able to handle as many as 53 languages.

My experience showed that the greatest asset of the entire staff was patience and still more patience with all those who came for treatment. I watched how physiotherapists and occupational therapists helped older people who were learning to walk again... or even how to slowly get up from a wheelchair to sit on a treatment couch. I saw in the gymnasium how out-patients were helped to slowly regain the use of wrist and arm muscles with time-consuming exercises.

I myself, who hadn't been in a gymnasium since I was a teenager, was carefully shown how to pull weights with both arms to develop muscles not actively used, or how leg exercises at various water levels in the warm pool helped loosen muscles.

There were other tests before I was allowed to go into the pool and gymnasium, including chest x-rays, a bone scan with a large camera pressed closely to every part of my body, and later a spinal CT scan of the lower back.

I was placed on a movable stretcher which could be slowly pushed through an approximately two-foot wide donut-shaped machine with a revolving light. I had to lie perfectly still, hands behind my head, while for 30 minutes the computer-controlled camera took 22 9-second long pictures of my lower spine.

The specialist on my case, Dr. Jose Jiminez, who is also in charge of the entire rehabilitation unit, told me a few days after the spinal scan that there was no deterioration on my lower spine — just arthritis.

I also had an echocardiogram in which each section of the heart is examined electronically and also shown on a television-type screen or cathode ray tube.

Pulling weights in the gym is part of rehabilitation treatment at Mount Sinai Hospital.

Then I was also asked to act as a model so that doctors-in-training could see the action of my spine in various positions and actions. For the Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Medicine Unit is the largest academic unit of its type in this part of Canada, and operates in conjunction with the University of Toronto School of Medicine.

There were many other tests. Nurses and doctors drained blood from me to check other facets of my wellbeing. There were samples of body liquid required.

When I found difficulty sleeping, medication was provided for the long night hours.

As soon as I was able to leave my continuous bed-rest treatment, I was urged to move around, get out of my pyjamas and dress in street or lounge clothing. I could sit for certain periods, as long as I could keep my feet on some raised platform or footstool. I even found an electric typewriter in one of the 15th-floor lounges which I began to use to keep busy. There were games, magazines, lectures and other amenities to keep out-of-bed patients occupied, and in the evenings even Purim and St. Patrick's Day parties to promote patient wellbeing.

In 1980 the Mount Sinai Hospital Sports Medicine Clinic was added to the Rehabilitation Medicine Unit — open twice weekly in evening hours to provide care and guidance for injuried amateur and professional athletes. Over 92,000 patients have been treated at the clinic since it opened. As many as 60 patients can be looked after in one evening. Treatment and prevention of sports-related injuries, as well as evaluation and promotion of fitness, is available for people of all ages, healthy and handicapped alike.

The clinic operates under the direction of Dr. Ron Taylor, a former professional baseball player, who is also the team physician for the Toronto Blue Jays.

The Rehabilitation Medicine Unit is sponsored by the University of Toronto, neighboring hospitals and the Government of Ontario. It is a referral centre, admitting patients referred by doctors not only from the Metro Toronto area but also other regions.

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